



**REGULAR MEETING of the EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
JANUARY 10, 2024, 9:00 A.M.
CITY HALL, BOARD AND COMMISSION ROOM #1101
301 WEST SECOND STREET
AUSTIN, TEXAS**

Some members of the Early Childhood Council may be participating by videoconference.

Public comment will be allowed in person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once, either in person or remotely, and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Caitlin Oliver, Program Coordinator, Austin Public Health, at 512-972-6205 or Caitlin.Oliver@austintexas.gov.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS:

*Cathy McHorse, Chair
Alice Navarro
Corie Cormie
Choquette Hamilton
Maggie Jaime
Casie Schennum
Leonor Vargas*

*John Green-Otero, Vice Chair
Brianna Menard
Eliza Gordon
Tom Hedrick
Cynthia McCollum
Ellana Selig*

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first five speakers to register prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Early Childhood Council Regular Meeting on November 8, 2023

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Updates from Caitlin Oliver, Austin Public Health (APH), regarding a planning grant from Home Grown to build a comprehensive network for local child care home providers and regarding pre-K classroom start-up funds this fiscal year

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discuss and approve updates to 2024 Early Childhood Council regular meeting calendar
4. Discuss and appoint an ECC member to serve as ECC liaison to the Success By 6 (SX6) Coalition Leadership Team

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Updates from related groups (as needed), including Austin Chapter of the Texas Association for the Education of Young Children, Austin ISD, Child Care Regulation, Child Inc, E3 Alliance, Success By 6 Coalition, Workforce Solutions Capital Area, and other groups in attendance
6. Updates from Margo Kinneberg, UWATX, regarding the cost modeling project of early childhood services in Travis County
7. Presentation from Gayle Yondorf-Chavez, United Way for Greater Austin (UWATX), and Claudia Zapata, AVANCE, Inc., about the strategies and activities of Success By 6's (SX6) Family-Based Child Care (FBCC) Workgroup and AVANCE's Quality Child Care Matters (QCCM) program which supports and guides family child care educators to learn new strategies that increase the quality of care for children and support families
8. Update from the ECC Quality-of-Life Study Workgroup on the Scope of Work and procurement process
9. Updates from the Joint Inclusion Committee (JIC) ECC representatives, Leonor Vargas and Eliza Gordon, regarding the discussion at the last JIC regular meeting

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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