



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX and via videoconference.

Mayor Watson called the Council Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Pro Tem Ellis and Ryan Alter appeared via videoconference.

Mayor Watson recessed the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Watson reconvened the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

A. PRE-SELECTED AGENDA ITEMS

B. BRIEFINGS

- B1.** Austin population growth and demographic trends.
Presentation was made by Veronica Briseño, Assistant City Manager; Dr. Lila Valencia, City Demographer
- B2.** Briefing on the Barton Springs Road Bridge over Barton Creek.
Presentation was made by Robert Goode, Interim Assistant City Manager; Eric Bailey, Interim Deputy Director Capital Delivery Services

C. COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

- 55.** Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with Urban Alchemy to operate the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless shelter facility for a nine-month term beginning January 1, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$2,648,958, with up to four 12-month extension options each in an amount not to exceed \$3,531,944, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$16,776,734.

D. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- D1.** Council appointments to intergovernmental entities and Council Committee memberships.

Mayor Watson recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 12:15 p.m.

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

- E1.** Discuss legal issues related to Dirty Martin's et al. v. Mayor Kirk Watson et al., Cause No. D-1-GN-23-008105 in the 455th Judicial District of Travis County, Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code).
Conducted
- E2.** Discuss legal issues related to Equity Action v. Jesús Garza et al., Cause No. D-1-GN-23-008687 in the 201st Judicial District of Travis County, Texas (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code).
Conducted
- 102.** Approve a resolution appointing Susana Carbajal to the Austin Convention Enterprises Board. Council Sponsors: Audit and Finance Committee.
Conducted

Executive Session ended and Mayor Watson reconvened the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

Mayor Watson adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 18th day of January 2024 on Mayor Pro Tem Pool's motion, Council Member Harper-Madison's second on an 11-0 vote.