



**REGULAR MEETING of the EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
APRIL 16, 2024, 6:00 P.M.
PERMITTING AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER, ROOM #1402
6310 WILHELMINA DELCO DRIVE
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
Cynthia McCollum
Ellana Selig*

*John Green-Otero, Vice Chair
Brianna Menard
Eliza Gordon
Tom Hedrick
Casie Schennum
Lionor Vargas*

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 March 20, 2024

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Updates from Caitlin Oliver, Austin Public Health (APH), regarding the APH plan to resubmit a Chapter 26 application to PARD this spring for a portion of Civitan Park to

continue to be used by the Mariposa Family Learning Center; updates from related early childhood groups; and the required training for boards and commissions members

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Conduct officer elections for the positions of the 2024 Early Childhood Council chair and vice chair
4. Vote to endorse the Austin Children's Funding Project Workgroup white paper

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Presentation from Dr. Choquette Hamilton, founder and CEO of RISE Center for Liberation in Early Childhood Education, regarding the services RISE plans to provide with the APH Early Childhood RFP funding they were awarded
6. Updates from Member Eliza Gordon, liaison to the Success By 6 Coalition (SX6), regarding upcoming events and the roll-out of the new strategic plan
7. Discussion about items to take to the Joint Inclusion Committee

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

8. Updates from the Quality-of-Life Study Workgroup regarding the vendor approval timeline
9. Update from the Budget Workgroup regarding a budget workshop on May 7, 2024, with City departments and other boards & commissions on the Joint Inclusion Committee

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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