THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2026 AT 1:00 PM, AUSTIN CITY HALL 301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TX AND SOME MEMBERS MAY BE PARTICIPATING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Vanessa Fuentes, Chair
Marc Duchen, Vice Chair
Ryan Alter
José Velásquez

Public comment will be allowed in person or remotely by telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in person or remotely. Items posted for possible action are available for sign-up. Briefings are not open for sign-up. For full instructions on participation in person or by telephone, please visit the Council Committee Information Center home page, which is linked here: https://www.austintexas.gov/council/council_committee_info_center

A quorum of the City Council may be present at this meeting. Action will only be taken by the members of the committee, and an alternate member may only vote when a regular committee member is absent.

The committee may go into a closed session under the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071, of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from legal counsel on any item on this agenda.

CALL TO ORDER

Public Communication: General

Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed three minutes to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda. This section is limited to five speakers.

Approval of Minutes

1. Approve the minutes for the November 4, 2026, meeting of the Public Health Committee.

Briefings

2. Update on the people, programs, and progress within Austin - Travis County's Homelessness Response System. [Kate Moore, Vice President of Homelessness Response System Strategy; Joseph Erik Montaño, Research & Evaluation Director - Ending Community Homelessness Coalition]

   Sponsors: Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, and Council Member Marc Duchen

3. Briefing on Central Health's efforts to explore the integration of Sobering Center functions. [Dr. Pat Lee, President & CEO; Dr. Manuel Martin, Secretary of Central Health Board of Managers; Perla Cavazos, Chief Governance and Government Affairs Officer; Monica Crowley, Chief Strategy/Planning Officer & Senior Counsel - Central Health; Sydney Harris, Sr. Consultant, Health Systems Design]

   Sponsors: Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, and Council Member Marc Duchen

4. Briefing on Austin Public Health's 2026-2031 Strategic Plan, which includes strategic priorities, performance measures, implementation approach, and anticipated impacts on public health services and community health outcomes. [Adrienne Sturrup, Director; Gabrielle Corrigan, Business Process Consultant Senior - Austin Public Health]

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Future Items

5. Identify items for future meetings.

Previously Distributed Memos to Mayor and Council (Information only; not for discussion)

Municipal Court Week 2026 dated October 26, 2026

Opioid Overdose Prevention Progress and Emerging Public Health Risks in Travis County dated October 26, 2026

Homeless Encampment Management Operational Report Update dated November 3, 2026

Gun Safety Day – Staff Response (Resolution No. 20241024-085) dated November 6, 2026

Austin Public Health – City Council Agenda Items for November 19, 2026 dated November 10, 2026

Austin Public Health – City Council Agenda Items for November 19, 2026 – Withdrawal of Item 54 dated November 19, 2026

No Wrong Door – Staff Update to Resolution No. 20261022-045 dated November 20, 2026

Homelessness Diversion Pilot Program Evaluation dated November 20, 2026

Austin Homeless Strategies and Operations 2025-2027 Strategic Plan – Staff Response (Resolution No. 20260326-031) dated November 24, 2026

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