



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Mayor Leffingwell recessed the Work Session to go into Executive Session at 9:10 a.m.

The Mayor announced that Council would discuss item number 72 on the regular agenda during Executive Session.

Executive Session ended and Council Member Martinez called the Work Session back to order at 9:43 a.m.

BRIEFINGS

C.1 Austin Water Utility Briefing on Drought.

The presentation was made by Greg Meszaros, Austin Water Utility Director, and Drena Gross, Division Manager of Conservation, and Teresa Lutes, Manager of Integrated Water Resources, Austin Water Utility and Cheryl Mele, Chief Operating Officer, Austin Energy.

The Mayor introduced the agenda for the October 20, 2011 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

55. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to prepare an ordinance that prohibits smoking in City parks. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Laura Morrison CO 1: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 2: Council Member Kathie Tovo)
12. Approve an ordinance amending City Code Section 25-12-172 relating to restrictions on outdoor cooking and waiving the technical review board requirements of City Code section 25-1-502.
27. Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a professional services contract with JEFFREY A. PARKER & ASSOCIATES, INC., Philadelphia, PA, for financial advisory services, financial analysis and financial planning services related to rail transit alternatives in an amount not to exceed \$556,316.
51. Approve an ordinance amending Chapter 2-7, Article 6 of the City Code relating to anti-lobbying and procurement.
17. Approve the schematic design for the New Central Library Project and authorize the City Manager to proceed with the design development phase of the project.

Council Member Martinez adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m. without objection.

To see the complete agenda for Thursday's meeting refer to the October 20, 2011 Council Agenda. (For additional information, contact the Office of the City Clerk.)

The minutes for the work session of October 18, 2011 were approved on this the 3rd day of November 2011 on Council Member Martinez' motion, Council Member Riley's second on a 7-0 vote.