

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES****CITIZEN FORUM  
SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2014**

**The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Citizen Forum on Saturday, May 31, 2014, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.**

**Mayor Pro Tem Cole called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Mayor Leffingwell was absent.**

Citizen Communications: GENERAL (Notes: There are 20 slots available under General Citizen Communication and required registration in advance of the meeting. Citizens were asked to provide a topic in advance to allow Council to engage in a full discussion of the topic. The same rules regarding registration during regular council meetings apply.)

1. David King - Affordability
2. Adam Slosberg - Bettering our mental health system
3. Carlos León - 1) Put GOD first, front and center; fear the LORD; please continue helping us GOD 2) Keep Austin's skies clear of chemtrails 3) Truth rules
4. Barry Lewis - Imagine Austin and the Downtown Austin Plan as they intersect with and impact upon the issues of "Affordability", the LDC, public safety, congestion and public transport.
5. Sally Sekac - For nine years we have been paying our neighbor's water because of mislabeling the meters. The Water Department told us they would only reimburse us for four year's of overpayments. Can you help us?
6. Albert Sekac - For nine years we have been paying our neighbor's water because of mislabeling the meters. The Water Department told us they would only reimburse us for four year's of overpayments. Can you help us?
7. Martha Schumacher - Tax
8. Rosemarie Schwarzer - Cemetery clean up and outside residential lighting.
9. Alan Roddy - Emma Long Park and Lake Austin  
**Direction was given to staff to research the possibility of assessing fines for property owners who trespass on public land.**
10. Bill Oakey - Affordability issues
11. Latreese Cook - Social services

12. CAROLANNROSEKENNEDY - THE GRAD YOU ATE
13. Akwasi Evans - Punishing the poor
14. Norman Jacobson - Toothpaste
15. Krista Clark - The medication of Austinites by water fluoridation
16. Scott Unzicker - The new 6th Street parking situation. **Not present when name was called.**
17. Zenobia Joseph - Economic opportunities for minorities. **Not present when name was called.**
18. Paul Robbins - City & budget issues
19. Emilio Chronis - Water fluoridation
20. Cynthia Valadez - East Austin bar and alcohol sales developments. **Not present when name was called.**

Citizen Communications: OPEN (Notes: Participants may register using the City's Speaker Sign-up kiosks located in the lobby of City Hall. Participants may also register in person beginning at Noon on Wednesday, May 28 through the day of the forum. The number of speakers is limited by the noon meeting deadline or until all the speakers have spoken. Council will only be able to listen to these topics and not engage in a dialogue with the citizens.)

**Open Citizen Communication was conducted.**

**Mayor Pro Tem Cole adjourned the meeting at 10:29 a.m. without objection.**

**The minutes were approved on this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014 on Council Member Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.**