



MINUTES OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Meeting Held Wednesday, September 16th, 2015
City Hall, 301 West Second Street, in the Boards and Commissions Room

Call Meeting to Order at 9:12 am.

Committee Members Present:

1. *Council Member Ora Houston, Chair*
2. *Council Member Kathie Tovo, Vice Chair*
3. *Council Member Ellen Troxclair*
4. *Council Member Delia Garza*

Council Member Ann Kitchen (D5) in attendance

Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes

Council Member Troxclair moved approval of the Minutes from Health and Human Services Committee Meetings of August 3rd and August 19th, 2015, seconded by Council Member Tovo, motion passes 3-0 with Council Member Garza off the dais.

Citizen Communication: General

2. **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.**

No speakers.

Staff Briefings

3. **Staff briefing on the criteria and application process for an appointment to the Central Health Board of Managers (Deena Estrada, Business Process Specialist, Clerk's Office; Jannette Goodall, City Clerk, Clerk's Office).**

City Clerk's Office staff briefed the Committee on the criteria and application process for an appointment to the Central Health Board of Managers.

4. Briefing on public health accreditation of Health and Human Services Department by the Public Health Accreditation Board including accreditation purpose, incentives, requirements, stakeholder engagement, and progress.

Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department staff provided a briefing on Public Health Accreditation Board accreditation purpose, incentives, requirements, stakeholder engagement, and progress.

Council Member Houston and Council Member Garza were designated as Committee leads on Health and Human Services Department Public Health Accreditation Board accreditation efforts.

5. Briefing on the status of the City's participation in the 1115 Medicaid Waiver programs designed to transform the financing and delivery of public health interventions for safety net populations

Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department staff provided a briefing on the status of the City's participation in the 1115 Medicaid Waiver programs.

6. Staff briefing and possible action on draft ordinance to establish a reasonable accommodations process.

Melissa Orren signed up to speak on the item on behalf of Austin Tenants' Council.

Law and Austin Code staff provided a briefing on draft ordinance to establish a reasonable accommodations process.

Motion by Council Member Garza for Law Department to include the proposed changes into the draft ordinance to establish a reasonable accommodations process (i.e. standardize the language describing period of time using either calendar or business days in all instances; include a process for citizen application over the phone; include an application expedition process in cases of emergency), seconded by Council Member Tovo. The motion carries 4-0.

7. Update on staff briefing on the City of Austin's efforts regarding unregulated boarding homes.

Austin Code staff provided an update on the City's efforts regarding unregulated boarding homes.

8. Briefing on language to amend Chapter 10-3, Food and Food Handlers, including recent food handler legislation, creating an administrative hearing process and results from stakeholders' engagement.

Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department staff provided a briefing on the language to amend City Food Code Chapter 10-3.

Motion by Council Member Houston to recommend the Council to accept the proposed changes at the Council Meeting on October 1, 2015; seconded by Council Member Garza. The motion carries 3:0 with Council Member Tovo off the dais.

9. Future Items

No items proposed at this time for the Health and Human Services Committee meeting on October 5th, 2015.

Adjourn at 11:30 am.

The minutes were approved with corrections on this the 2nd day of November 2015 on Council Member Tovo's motion, Council Member Houston's second on a 3-0 vote with Council Member Garza off the dais.