

Open Gov

Goal	Challenge Statements	What are we talking about?	Tactics to get us there	Tactics to get us there	Tactics to get us there	Tactics to get us there
Create more channels for the existing implementation of Open Data at the City of Austin to get more feedback and broader reach.	How do we spread Open Data resources to entrepreneurs and other members of the innovation community?	Existing resources and outreach of Austin Government online and open data initiatives could include more voices and explain the benefits to citizens who have no idea what open data is or why it's beneficial	Collaboration with groups like Glass House Policy, 1776, Open Austin, Code for America, UT Austin (LBJ School)			
	How do we understand what Austin citizens want within the constructs of Open Data?	Many times we go after initiatives that a small percentage of citizens request. These are normally the most outspoken, however the majority of citizen voices go unheard. We hope to gather a larger sample size by working with partner organizations and agencies to understand what exactly our community wants and needs from an open data perspective.	Craft a survey, spread through partner channels, share results and raw data publically, create a realistic roadmap for how these ideas can be implemented.	Share what we learn through the commission to the public to our council members.		
	How do we make Austin a leader in the nation with regards to open government?	There are other cities who already have a solid opengov strategy. How can we learn from them and their models. Some examples include - Seattle, Boston, Kansas City, NYC, Chicago, DC	Identifying those cities that have a strong OpenGov strategies and models. (aka "game-changers")	Receive frequent updates from Open Data Initiative Team, likely CTM department.	Recommend an Open Governance Oversight group that includes internal City leaders, civic organizations, education institutions, and businesses.	Research how other cities make digital services websites and projects open-source and hosted on Github.com.
						The City CIO has an executive level group that talks about this (Open Government Governing Board?) and possibly we can work with them and add our spin to what is being discussed. I can help and get Stephen Elkins to give the group more information.

	<p>How do we enable citizens to provide feedback on City of Austin web properties and open data?</p>	<p>The city has an issue tracking system (3-1-1) for citizens to report broken traffic lights and loose animals. There should be a system for citizens to report broken web links, bugs on the website, errors in data formatting in open data datasets, requests for missing datasets, etc.</p>	<p>An issue tracking system for the City's website and digital properties to encourage feedback and productive action in the form of site improvement</p>	<p>Discover who within the City IT hierarchy is in a place to evaluate and support open source volunteer projects.</p>	<p>To this one, the team behind AustinGo & 311 could potentially have the metrics or those lacking and we can find out how to make this process more accessible and effective.</p>
<p>Continue further buy-in (and/or introduce) and support for OpenGov initiatives at the City Council level</p>	<p>How do we push forward the spirit of Open Government policies at City Council?</p>	<p>In December 2011, the city council adopted resolution 20111208-074 that commits the city to principles of open government. This resolution should be updated to reflect needs and experience over the past four years, and adopted as an ordinance</p>	<p>Consider including other items in the ordinance based upon latest economic and political conditions.</p>	<p>It is basic and general in its form. It only provides an outline and nothing concrete. Hence, having this working group will help make it more robust</p>	