



Austin-Travis County Food Policy Board

**MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 14, 2019**

**The Austin-Travis County Food Policy Board (ATCFPB) convened on Monday, January 14th,
Street Jones Building, 1000 East 11th St, 400A, Austin, TX**

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Adrienne Haschke called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Margaret Kao, Lorig Hawkins, Karen Magid, Adrienne Haschke, Sandra Van den Berg, Andrea Abel, Jessica Gaffney

Absent Board Members:

Sharon Mays, Thomas Schroeder

Staff in Attendance:

Amanda Rohlich, Emily Ackland

1) CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a) Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda. – none

2) STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a) City of Austin, Budget Office, Presentation on Budget process – Amanda Rohlich
- b) Travis County Budget Office, Presentation on Budget process – Emily Ackland

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER MEETING

Board Member Adrienne Haschke motioned to approve the meeting minutes from December 10th, 2018 with Board Member Sandra Van den Berg seconding the motion to approve pending minor edits. Passed on a 7-0 vote.

Board Members Thomas Schroeder and Sharon Mays absent.

4) OLD BUSINESS

- i) Board Infrastructure & Protocol
 - (1) Review Board Members' meetings with City and County Officials.
 - (a) Karen Magid attended the Bloomberg Grant Announcement. Commissioner Shea, CM Alter, CM Kitchen, Mayor and City Manager were present.
- ii) Board Recommendations Follow-up
 - (1) Use of City and County-owned Land for Urban Agriculture
 - (a) Support Farms and Farmers WG to look at providing recommendations for agricultural uses. Question about how Urban Farm Ordinance may impact animals.

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- (b) City: Watershed Protection Department has results from community engagement surveys from area residents regarding the use of this land for urban agriculture.
- (c) County: Waiting on second phase of soil testing done through City of Austin. Emily Ackland working with hydrologist to find best place for well. April is expected timeline for RFP release.

5) NEW BUSINESS

- i) Board Appointments
 - (1) Review existing vacancies and skills matrix
 - (a) Four vacancies; two at the city and one with Commissioner Gomez and Commissioner Travillion.
 - (2) Discuss recruitment process. Need for more diversity and community member voices. Karen Magid as central contact for applicant recommendations.
 - (3) Pull applicants from the past year at the end of the month.
 - (4) Put out call for applicants in the Austin Food Notes
 - (5) Notable board member gaps: health professional, food recovery, retail, policy and advocacy, senior hunger
- ii) Debrief of the Joint Sustainability Board meeting
 - (1) Karen Magid provided updates. CapMetro updates on electrification of fleet, CapMetro Connect moving into design phase of high capacity corridors. Discussion of the update process for the Austin Community Climate Plan which will be happening over 2019.
- iii) Working Group Briefings and Recommendations
 - (1) *Build Opportunities for Food Entrepreneurs*. Meeting Monday January 28th.
 - (2) *Support Farms & Farmers*. Meeting January 24th.
 - (3) *Food and Climate*. Met last Thursday. Planning on meeting the first Thursday of the month at 11 am tentatively at Blue Dahlia. Two main goals. Community engagement practicum by a UT Public Health student. Questions being developed through group presentations to community organizations.
 - (4) *Healthy Food Access to All Communities*. Meeting Thursday, January 24th.
- iv) Review of Board Member Assignments
 - (1) Amanda or Edwin to pull ATCFPB applicants from the past year at the end of the month. Send to Board Member Karen Magid and bcc all members.
 - (2) Amanda to put out call for ATCFPB applicants in the Austin Food Notes
 - (3) Amanda to ask City Clerk about members need to do about expiring terms
 - (4) Edwin to provide expected timeline for Onion Creek Buyout RFP for Urban Agriculture

6) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) February – Budget presentations from COA and Travis County, APH prioritization and how their budget process works (including FFL budget plans)
- b) March – Review of the WG recommendations

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Adrienne Haschke adjourned the meeting at 7:06 pm

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