




MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Stephanie Hayden, Austin Public Health Director 
DATE: December 28, 2020
SUBJECT: Homeless Strategy Officer Appointment

I am pleased to announce that after a successful recruitment process, Dianna Grey has been selected as the new Homeless Strategy Officer. She will begin her new role on January 4, 2021.

Since 2014, Ms. Grey has been the Principal at Dianna Grey Consulting firm in Austin. From 2008 to 2014, she was Director of the Texas Office of Corporation for Supportive Housing, where she coordinated public policy efforts, provided technical assistance, and advised on capacity building programming and project financing across the state, with a specialized focus on Dallas, Ft. Worth, Austin, and Houston.

She previously served as a Program Director for Lending at Enterprise Community Partner for three years, from 2004 to 2007, and spent two years as Executive Director of Neighborhood Housing Services of Austin, which constructs and renovates homes for first-time home buyers, carries out community education on the home buying process, and supports community-building efforts in the neighborhoods it serves. She is a 2001 graduate of the LBJ School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin.

Under the direction of Austin Public Health Director Stephanie Hayden, the Homeless Strategy Officer will coordinate the City's homeless response activities among multiple departments and with continued guidance from the City Management Office Homeless Leadership Team, to ensure a seamless approach and response to end homelessness in our city.

Please join me in congratulating Ms. Grey on her appointment and wishing her success in her new role as the City's Homeless Strategy Officer.

CC: Spencer Cronk, City Manager
Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde, Deputy City Manager
Christopher Shorter, Assistant City Manager

