

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021



THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL **AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** CONVENED IN A REGULAR MEETING ON Wednesday, August 18, 2021 AT 9:30 AM, AUSTIN CITY HALL, 301 W. 2nd STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS (This meeting was conducted by video conference from remote locations).

Council Member Alter called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM. In attendance were Council Member Pool, Mayor Adler, Council Member Kelly, and Council Member Tovo.

Agenda Item #6: Briefing on the Strategic Facilities Governance Team on Administrative Office Occupancy Plan progress and next steps (Financial Services, Building Services, Office of Real Estate Services).
Sponsors: Council Member Alison Alter, and Council Member Leslie Pool

Item 6 was postponed to the September 22nd AFC meeting without objection.

Citizen Communication: 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.

Paul Robbins spoke.

Agenda Item #1: Approve the minutes of the Audit and Finance Committee meetings of June 16, 2021 and July 21, 2021.

The minutes of the June 16th and July 21st 2021 AFC meetings were approved on Council Member Kelly's motion, Council Member Pool's second, on a 5-0 vote.

Agenda Item #2: Discussion and possible action regarding the City Recruiting and Hiring Efforts Audit (City Auditor's Office).
Sponsors: Council Member Alison Alter, and Council Member Leslie Pool

Tyler Myers, Senior Auditor, presented on the City Recruiting and Hiring Efforts Audit. Katie Houston, Assistant City Auditor, Corrie Stokes, City Auditor, Joya Hayes, Human Resources Director, Rebecca Kennedy, Human Resources Assistant Director, answered questions from the committee. The audit was approved on Council Member Tovo's motion, Council Member Alter's second, on a 3-0-1 vote with Council Members Alter, Tovo, and Kelly voting in favor. Council Member Pool abstained. Mayor Adler was off the dais.

Agenda Item #3: Discussion and possible action regarding the Interlocal Agreements Audit (City Auditor's Office)

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Sponsors: Council Member Alison Alter, and Council Member Leslie Pool

Kathie Harrison, Supervising Senior Auditor, presented on the Interlocal Agreements Audit. James Scarboro, Purchasing Officer, Financial Services Department, answered questions from the committee. The item was accepted on Council Member Tovo's motion, Mayor Adler's second, on a 5-0 vote.

Agenda Item #4: Discussion and possible action on the Water & Wastewater Recommendation for the Customer Assistance Program (Water and Wastewater Commission).
Sponsors: Mayor Steve Adler, and Council Member Alison Alter

William Moriarty, Water Wastewater Commission, spoke on the Water and Wastewater Recommendation for the Customer Assistance Program. Corrie Stokes, City Auditor answered questions from the committee. No Action was taken

Agenda Item #5: Briefing on Austin Procurement 3.0, the long-term strategy for the City's procurement business functions (Financial Services Department).
Sponsors: Council Member Alison Alter, and Council Member Leslie Pool

James Scarboro, Purchasing Officer, presented on the Briefing of Austin Procurement 3.0, the long-term strategy for the City's procurement business functions, and answered questions from the committee. No vote was taken

Agenda Item #7: Identify items to be discussed at future meetings.

Committee and Corrie Stokes, City Auditor, discussed future meeting items.

Adjourn: Council Member Alter adjourned the meeting without objections at 11:42 AM.

The minutes were approved on the 22nd day of September 2021 on Council Member Pool's motion, Council Member Kelly's second on a 4-0 vote. Mayor Adler was off the dais.