



Special Called Meeting

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

The City Council Special Called Meeting will convene at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at Austin City Hall 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX and some members of City Council may be participating by videoconference



Mayor Steve Adler

Mayor Pro Tem Alison Alter, District 10

Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison, District 1

Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, District 2

Council Member Sabino “Pio” Renteria, District 3

Council Member Gregorio Casar, District 4

Council Member Ann Kitchen, District 5

Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, District 6

Council Member Leslie Pool, District 7

Council Member Paige Ellis, District 8

Council Member Kathie Tovo, District 9

For meeting information, contact the City Clerk, (512) 974-2210

The City Council may go into a closed session as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) regarding any item on this agenda.

All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.

Consent Agenda

City Clerk

1. Approve an ordinance creating the “Austin Freedom Act of 2021,” including measures to eliminate low-level marijuana enforcement and ban no- knock warrants.
2. Approve an ordinance ordering a special municipal election to be held on May 7, 2022 to submit to the voters a proposed citizen-initiated ordinance, certified sufficient on January 10, 2022, regarding the creation of the “Austin Freedom Act of 2021” including measures to eliminate low-level marijuana enforcement and ban no- knock warrants; providing for the conduct of the special election, including authorizing the City Clerk to enter into joint election agreements with other local political subdivisions as may be necessary for the orderly conduct of the election; and declaring an emergency.
3. Approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20211104-062, relating to City Code Chapter 2-1 (City Boards) regarding hybrid participation at meetings of boards and commissions and their subcommittees and quorum requirements to change the effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Non-Consent

Executive Session

4. Discuss legal issues related to a citizen-initiated ordinance and a potential May 2022 election (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
5. Discuss legal issues involved with lawsuits and claims related to Austin Police Department during the protests that occurred on May 30 and 31, 2020 (Private consultation with legal counsel - Section 551.071 of the Government Code).

Adjourn

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