

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Bruce Mills, Interim Assistant City Manager

DATE: June 2, 2023

SUBJECT: Budget Considerations for Downtown Austin Community Court

The memorandum is in response to high interest from the community and Council Members in a recommended item for consideration in the Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) budget.

The DACC Advisory Board submitted four <u>FY24 budget recommendations</u> during their meeting on March 24, 2023. These budget recommendations were developed in collaboration with staff and endeavor to expand the important work being done by the DACC as an integral part of Austin's judicial and homelessness response systems.

Truly addressing the needs of people experiencing homelessness is a priority for the City Manager. Item 4 in the linked budget recommendations describes funds for two additional permanent Case Manager positions to alleviate a current waitlist for services and which will be integral to any expansion of the geographical service area for the DACC.

City Management is grateful to have the DACC Advisory Board's recommendations as the FY24 budget is developed and these recommendations will be considered alongside other City needs throughout the budget development process.

cc: Jesús Garza, Interim Assistant City Manager

CMO Executive Team

Jennifer Sowinski, Downtown Austin Community Court Interim Court Administrator

Judge Michael Coffey, Downtown Austin Community Court