

Austin City Council

Austin Independent School District Board of Trustees

Travis County Commissioners Court

Joint Subcommittee Meeting Minutes Monday, September 12, 2022 12:00 pm – 1:30pm Travis County 700 Lavaca, Austin, Texas 78701

#### **Joint Subcommittee Members in Attendance:**

#### **Austin (AISD) Independent School District**

Geronimo M. Rodriguez, Board President, District 6 Lynn Boswell, Board Trustee, District 5 Edna Butts, Director, Intergovernmental Relations and Policy Oversight

#### **City of Austin**

Kathie Tovo, Council Member, District 9 Alison Alter, Mayor Pro Tem Vanessa Fuentes, Council Member, District 2 Stephanie Hayden-Howard, Assistant City Manager

#### **Travis County**

Jeff Travillion, County Commissioner, Pct. 1 Brigid Shea, Commissioner, Pct. 2 Pilar Sanchez, County Executive for Travis County Health and Human Services

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. by County Commissioner, Brigid Shea.

#### I. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up for public comment. Commissioner Shea gave the floor to Councilmember Kathie Tovo for a special announcement. A partnership with AISD and the City of Austin has been made for a Special Education student workforce initiative. This is an opportunity for students to work at the City of Austin on a temporary basis, with the possibility of permanent employment status. Commissioner Shea stated she would refer this information to Pilar Sanchez, HHS County Executive.

## II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Alter moved to approve the minutes from the meeting on June 13, 2022, and Commissioner Travillion seconded. The motion to approve the minutes as corrected passed unanimously.

## III. RESILLIENCE HUB NETWORK REPORT

Laura Patino, Chief Resilience Officer and Matias Segura, AISD Chief of Operations provided an update on the Austin Resilience Hubs written report.

Commissioner Shea requested that staff include a verbal update along with the written report at every meeting. Commissioner Shea and Mayor Pro Tem Alter requested the workshop information be shared with the group to share on social media and their constituents. Councilmember Fuentes asked for suggestions on how to ensure we are serving the Del Valle community. Trustee Bowell asked if we could add signage to point the public to resilience hubs. Commissioner Shea announced that the County is earmarking \$1.5 million for this work. Councilmember Tovo asked if we could present, at a later date, how the County dollars will be invested. She mentioned the city of Barcelona worked with existing facilities and has significantly increased the number of resilience hubs. She sponsored a resolution that she will share with the group. Commissioner Travillion asked that the initiative engage with the African American community and suggested they work with the Divine Nine, the Community Resilience Trust, and the Black Leaders Collective.

There was no action taken on this item.

## IV. SAFETY UPDATE

Mayor Pro Tem Alter briefed the committee on gun violence prevention efforts and gave a high-level overview of the Violence Prevention Summit which occurred June 2022.

Michelle Myles, Austin Public Health Office of Violence Prevention (OVP) briefed the committee on the Violence Prevention Summit and the OVP efforts to date. Dr. Jacob Reach, AISD, and AISD Police Chief Wayne Sneed, gave updates on school safety, including the state mandated training hours, updates on school safety, including the state mandated training hours and the 64 additional hours AISD police officers obtain.

There was no action taken on this item.

## V. HEALTH SERVICES IN THE CITY, COUNTY, AND DISTRICT

Laura Peveto, Travis County and Cindy Gamez, Austin Public Health presented and provided information on services provided by Travis County, Austin Public Health, AISD and other community organizations for reproductive health and parenting resources. Commissioner Travillion asked for a matrix document which lays out deliverables, local, state, and federal dollars and services provided. Commissioner Shea

also asked for a total of children served through childcare contracts. Mayor Pro Tem asked why LASA was not in the table listing the number of pregnancies per Campus. Also asked staff to share the message from Suki Steinhauser.

# VI. STANDING ITEMS (set at previous meetings)

The following items were identified as future agenda items:
Child Care Investment
Affordable Housing
Legislative Agenda
Food Planning (grants, asset map)
School Safety; specifically on how we are preparing youth
Address Suki's message on mental health and whether we need to invest money

# VII. ADJOURN

The next JSC meeting is Friday, December 9, 2022, to be hosted by City of Austin.