



PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING

October 1, 2025

Committee Members Present:

1. Vanessa Fuentes, Chair
2. Marc Duchen, Vice Chair- Virtual
3. Ryan Alter

Committee Members Absent

1. Zohaib "Zo" Qadri
2. José Velásquez

Call to Order

Mayor Pro Tem Fuentes called the committee meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Public Communication: General

No Speakers

Approval of Minutes

1. **Approve the minutes of the Public Health Committee meeting of September 3, 2025.**

The minutes of the September 3, 2025. meetings were approved on Council Member Duchen's motion, and Council Member Alter's second with no objection, on a 4-0 vote.

Discussion and Possible Action

2. Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of a member to the Sobering Center Local Government Corporation Board of Directors.

Briefings

3. **Briefing on the downtown homeless taskforce.**

The Committee received a briefing from David Gray Director of Homeless Strategy Office.

4. **Briefing on prevention, diversion, and rapid exit homelessness services.**

The Committee received a briefing from David Gray Director of Homeless Strategy Office, Mark Hilbelink Executive Director Sunrise Homeless Navigation Center, and Shayna Dunitz, Managing Director Austin Housing Connector.

Executive Session

4. **Discussion of the selection of a member to appoint to the Sobering Center Board of Directors. (Personnel matters - Section 551.074 of the Government Code).**

Future Items

5. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Fuentes adjourned the committee meeting at 11:59 a.m.

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