

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 2-1-174 (AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION) TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION HAS NINE REGULAR MEMBERS AND FOUR EX OFFICIO MEMBERS, DESIGNATING THE EX OFFICIO MEMBERS, PROVIDING THAT THE EX OFFICIO MEMBERS NOMINATE THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEMBERS, AND UNCAPITALIZING CERTAIN WORDS FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THE OTHER SECTIONS OF CITY CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. City Code Section 2-1-174 (*Austin/Travis County Public Health Commission*) is amended to read:

§ 2-1-174 AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION

- (A) The Austin/Travis County Public Health Commission (ATC-PHC) shall include a balanced and diverse membership that represents a broad range of health and human services interests and lived experiences, with members jointly appointed by the City Council and the Travis County Commissioners Court.
- (B) The [~~C~~]commission shall serve as an advisory body to the City Council and Travis County Commissioners Court concerning public health programs, projects, services, public health and human services needs, and approaches for improvement.
- (C) The commission shall have nine regular members who serve staggered four-year terms, with four or five members, as appropriate, jointly appointed each even-numbered year by City Council and the Travis County Commissioners Court.
- (D) The Austin Travis County Health Authority and one designee each from Austin Public Health, Travis County Health and Human Services, and Central Health shall serve as ex officio members of the commission.

(E) The ex officio members shall review membership applications and make nominations for appointment to open or vacated positions for final approval by City Council and the Travis County Commissioners Court.

((~~G~~)The Commission shall:

- (1) [~~E~~]explore the best/evidence-based public health practices for areas that need improvement and provide recommendations;
- (2) [~~P~~]provide an annual formal recommendation on the improvement of the overall public health programs, projects, regulations, and services within the governing entities in the city and the county;
- (3) [~~W~~]work to inform strategies that address health disparities that impact health outcomes for underserved populations;
- (4) [~~G~~]gather input from the community on budget and programming recommendations to share with policymakers and health agencies annually; and
- (5) [~~And~~][~~R~~]report periodically to the Public Health Committee of the Austin City Council and the Travis County Commissioners Court (or the appropriate committee thereof).

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on _____, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED

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_____, 2025 §

Kirk Watson
Mayor

APPROVED: _____

Deborah Thomas
City Attorney

ATTEST: _____

Erika Brady
City Clerk