Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2014
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Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:
CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING TRAVIS COUNTY APPOINTMENTS TO THE CENTRAL HEALTH BOARD OF MANAGERS.

SUMMARY AND IGR COORDINATOR RECOMMENDATION:
Two Travis County appointees to the Central Health Board of Managers will no longer serve on that board after December 31, 2014. On October 21, the Court issued a Call for Applications for those two vacancies, with a deadline of Friday, November 21, 2014.

IGR recommends that the Commissioners Court appoint a subcommittee consisting of at least one member of the Court and the County Executive for HHS&VS to review the applications submitted, recommend which applicants should be interviewed, and recommend a series of questions to be asked of candidates, said subcommittee to report back to the Court on Tuesday, December 9. IGR also recommends the Court schedule a work session to interview candidate for Thursday, December 11.

BACKGROUND:
Central Health/Travis County Healthcare District (TCHD) Board of Managers:

- Nine members, with four-year staggered terms
  - Four appointed by the Travis County Commissioners Court
  - Four appointed by the Austin City Council
  - One appointed jointly by the two bodies
- Two Travis County-appointed terms concluding at the end of 2014
  - **Brenda Coleman-Beattie**, terms ends December 31, 2014
  - **Rebecca Lightsey**, term ends December 31, 2015, resigning effective December 31, 2014
- Subject to the Uniform Appointment Process

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES: The Commissioners Court makes four appointments to the Travis County Healthcare District (DBA Central Health) Board of Managers. Additionally, the Commissioners Court and the Austin City Council jointly make one appointment to the nine-member board. Terms are for four years, and are staggered. The Board's bylaws provide that the Managers serve until their re-appointment or the selection of their successor. There are no term restrictions on the Central Health board. The Central Health Board of Managers is subject to the Court's Uniform Appointment Process (Travis County Code, Chapter 1, §1.017).

The term of **Brenda Coleman-Beattie** will expire on December 31, 2014. Ms. Coleman-Beattie has been a member of the Board of Managers since March 31, 2009.

In addition, **Rebecca Lightsey** has announced her intention to resign from the Board of Managers at the end of this year. Ms. Lightsey has been a member since March 15, 2011, and her current term expires on December 31, 2015.

In the past, the Court has insisted that the process for recruiting, vetting and selecting candidates for the Central Health board be thorough, inclusive and deliberate. On October 21, the Court approved a Call for Applications and an application packet, and set a deadline of Friday, November 21, for applications. As of Tuesday, November 18, five applications had been received. IGR will provide a full list of the applicants to members of the Court on Monday, November 24.

On previous occasions, the Commissioners Court has appointed a subcommittee consisting of at least one member of the Court and the County Executive for HHS&VS to review the applications submitted, and also to recommend a series of questions to be asked of finalists.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: Not applicable.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS: None.

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ATTACHMENTS:

A. Current roster (redacted) of Central Health Board of Managers members, updated October 14, 2014.
B. Travis County Commissioners Court, Adopted Process and Timetable for making two County appointments to the Central Health Board of Managers, October 21, 2014.

Central Health Board of Managers

Current Membership	First Appointed	Date(s) Reappointed	Term Expires
City of Austin Appointees			
Katrina Daniel, R.N., *Vice-Chair* Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Mayor Lee Leffingwell	07/23/09	01/27/11	12/31/14
Thomas Coopwood, M.D. Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Mayor Lee Leffingwell Representing: City resident, if applicable	01/01/08	12/08/11	12/31/15
Rosie Mendoza, C.P.A Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Mayor Lee Leffingwell Representing: City resident, if applicable	08/01/04	03/05/09 01/17/13	12/31/16
Lynne Hudson, R.N.-C, M.P.H., *Secretary* Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Mayor Lee Leffingwell	04/21/11	12/12/13	12/31/17
Travis County Appointees			
Brenda Coleman-Beattie, M.A., *Chair* Contact Phone: Nominated by: Travis County Representing: Travis County	03/31/09	10/05/10	12/31/14
Rebecca Lightsey, *Treasurer* Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Travis County Representing: Travis County	03/18/11	10/25/11	12/31/15
Guadalupe Zamora, M.D. Contact Phone: Email Address: Nominated by: Travis County Representing: Travis County	01/15/13		12/31/16
Clarke Heidrick, J.D. Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Travis County Representing: Travis County	08/01/05	12/29/09 12/10/13	12/31/17
Joint Appointee			
William "Kirk" Kuykendall, J.D. Contact Phone: E-mail Address: Nominated by: Outside Representing: City Council & Travis County	06/07/13		12/31/16

Updated: October 24, 2014

ATTACHMENT B

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
TRAVIS COUNTY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT (CENTRAL HEALTH)
BOARD OF MANAGERS APPOINTMENT
Proposed Process and Timetable

2014

October 21	Commissioners Court adopts selection process for Central Health Board of Managers appointments and issues Call for Applications
November 21	Deadline for submission of applications
November 25	IGR updates Court on status of applications Court appoints task group to review applications
December 9	Task Group updates Court on its review of applications Court decides how many, which candidates to interview
December 11	Commissioners Court work session interviews with finalists (if necessary) • 40-minute interviews with each candidate • Prepared list of questions to be asked of each candidate • Open, but untelevised, session
December 16	Commissioners Court selects Travis County appointees to Central Health Board of Managers for terms ending on December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2018.