

Understanding Changes to City of Austin Ordinances and Help for the Homeless

NWACA Community Meeting

July 25, 2019

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Westover Hills Church of Christ

8332 Mesa Drive



“We but mirror the world.

All the tendencies present in the outer world are to be found in the world of our body.

If we could change ourselves, the tendencies in the world would also change.

As a man changes his own nature, so does the attitude of the world change towards him.

This is the divine mystery supreme. A wonderful thing it is and the source of our happiness.

We need not wait to see what others do.”

Mahatma Gandhi

Meeting Agenda

6:00-6:05 p.m.	Vicki DeWeese	President, NWACA
6:05-6:15 p.m.	Rev. Merrill Wade	Rector, St. Matthews Episcopal Church
6:15-6:20 p.m.	Rev. Jared Slack	Pastor of Spiritual Formation and Missions, First Baptist Church,
6:20-6:25 p.m.	Sgt. Sam Lindsey	Travis County Constable, Pct. 2
6:25-6:35 p.m.	Mr. Haggai Eshed	MSW, Board of Directors, and Former Housing Manager, Front Steps, Inc., NWH Resident
6:35-6:40 p.m.	Mr. Kenneth Casaday	President, Austin Police Association
6:40-6:45 p.m.	Ms. Kristin Ashy	AISD, District Four, Trustee
6:45-6:50 p.m.	Mr. Cary Roberts	Executive Director, Greater Austin Crime Commission
6:50-6:55 p.m.	Mr. Chris Baker	Executive Director, The Other Ones Foundation
6:55-7:00 p.m.	Ms. Dineen Majcher	Helping our Neighbors (HON), Homeless Outreach in Northwest Austin
7:00-7:05 p.m.	Mr. Tom Horn	City of Austin Code Enforcement
7:05-7:10 p.m.	TxDOT	Statement
7:10-7:15 p.m.	Ms. Connie Lundgren	NWACA Neighborhood Watch Chair
7:15-7:20 p.m.	Ms. April Brown	Communications and Outreach Coordinator, Office of CM Alison Alter, District 10
7:20-8:00 p.m.	Q&A	

Thank you to our hosts: Westover Hills Church of Christ!

Westover Hills Church of Christ- "We are a church that strives to follow Jesus as best we can. We believe that God is calling us to be a church that cares about and looks after people other than just those here and in places other than simply inside these walls. Because of that, our vision is More Than Us, More Than Here. For more info visit westover.org."

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Mission Statement- "St. Matthew's is a loving, sacramental community, welcoming all to share life's joys and challenges as a family; to learn and grow in Christ; and to passionately serve each other, Austin, and the world. We invite you to join us." For more info go to: <https://stmattsaustin.org/>

First Baptist Church Mission Statement- "The First Baptist Church of Austin chooses to be a people's cathedral in the heart of the city: Inviting all persons, nurturing one another, and serving in an adventurous obedience to Jesus Christ." For more info go to: <https://www.fbcaustin.org/>

Front Steps- "Front Steps provides a pathway home for our neighbors experiencing homelessness by offering emergency shelter, affordable housing, recuperative medical care, supportive services, and community awareness. **Vision:** No person in our community should ever have to spend the night on the streets." For more info go to: <https://www.frontsteps.org/who-we-are/>

Austin Police Association- "To support and advocate for all members of the Austin Police Association, their families and Austin's diverse community. To be recognized as the premier police association in the United States." For more info go to: <https://www.austinpolice.com/>

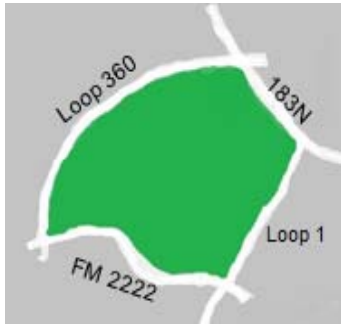
Austin Independent School District- "We believe in equity, mutual support and collective responsibility. We also provide choice in educational decisions, which empowers advocacy in students and families to control their school experience." <https://www.austinisd.org/>

Greater Austin Crime Commission- "Founded in 1997, the Greater Austin Crime Commission supports Central Texas first responders and promotes regional homeland security and public safety planning. Pete Winstead leads a board of 60 business and community leaders. Past presidents include Roy Butler, Paul J. Bury III, Dr. William H. Cunningham, Richard S. Hill, Joe E. Holt, Adm. Bobby R. Inman, David L. Roche, Mack Wallace, Ralph Wayne, and Amb. Pamela P. Willeford. For more information, visit austincrime.org."

The Other Ones Foundation- "An organization that specializes in employing, sheltering, and supporting people experiencing homelessness in Austin and Travis County." For more info go to: <http://toofound.org/>

Helping our Neighbors (HON)- "Since early in 2016, the homeless neighbors living in northwest Austin have been served by HON volunteers providing quarterly Showers/Haircuts/Clothing/Dinner events, providing basics for living such as food and sleeping bags and backpacks, facilitating the Coordinated Assessments required by the City of Austin, obtaining identification cards and birth certificates, transporting neighbors to medical appointments, and ultimately, facilitating housing. This venture is called HON, Helping our Neighbors. Approximately 30 Northwest Austin area homeless neighbors receive some type of assistance from HON each quarter."

CM Alison Alter, District 10- "Council Member Alison Alter is proud to represent District 10 on the Austin City Council. She is a small business owner, a former professor, a community connector, and an environmental advocate. Council Member Alter's priorities include managing growth responsibly, protecting open and green spaces, addressing transportation challenges, promoting transparent and effective government, investing in our children, and fostering civic engagement." For more info, call 512 978-2110 or go to: <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/district-10/>



- Website: nwaca.org
- Facebook- Closed group for NWACA members; public page for announcements
- NWACA Notes- Weekly email, members, sign up online
- Newsletter- Delivered monthly to single family households; also available online
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