



Independence Advisory Board of Health Minutes

January 8, 2026 6:00 PM

The meeting will be held virtually at https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YWE4ZDMzZDAtnZyNS00ODY3LWI5ZWYtY2M3ODQ4Njl2NmQ4%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22862de864-c0f2-4801-a187-836f98f56db0%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%225436a539-55d6-4468-8763-16ed48ec0e77%22%7d

WELCOME

Dr. Terry Morris called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Members present were Dr. Terry Morris, Genesis Rivera, Dr. Larry Legler, Lori Halsey, Jason White, Dr David Suchman, and Dr. Peter Muelleman.

Staff present were Christina Heinen and Lauren Campbell.
Council liaison present were Councilmember Dr. McCandless.

SUBCOMMITTEE LETTER

Jason shared that the subcommittee had met and created a letter. During their meetings, the subcommittee had discussed what services the City's health department provides, funding sources, who could assist with an assessment, and possible next steps. Genesis shared the need for a local health department to serve the needs of our population. The group discussed the dissolution of the department in 2018 and its reinstatement in late 2020.

Dr. Legler made a motion to send the crafted letter to the Council for an independent consultant to review services and do a cost/benefit analysis for the department. Dr. Suchman seconded the motion. Approved by all members present at 6:28 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Lori Halsey made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Dr. Legler. Approved by all present at 6:29 pm.