



**AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, December 1, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Chiquita Eugene, Chair
Joi Harden
Daryl Horton

Nelson Linder, Vice Chair
Greg Smith
Dr. Jennifer Wilks

CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melodye Foust

Dusty McCormick

1. CALL TO ORDER—5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Commissioner Linder.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

There were no speakers.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 3, 2010 REGULAR MEETING.

The minutes stand as presented with the following change to Item 4-c:

"NHCD Staff will provide this information prior to the 2011 Community Forum."

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

a. Presentation of Census Data on Poverty Rates in Austin (Vanessa Sarria, Austin Independent School District)

Ms. Vanessa Sarria presented information on the poverty rates and living costs in Austin. Ms. Sarria is the Executive Director of the Community Action Network.

b. Finalize content of Commission presentation to the City Council regarding Commission scope and accomplishments

Final changes were made to the presentation which will be made to the City Council during the December 9, 2010 Council meeting.

c. Discussion on outcome of January 30, 2010 Community Forum

There was no discussion on this item.

d. Discuss and approve meeting calendar for 2011

A motion to approve the 2011 meeting dates was approved on Commissioner Smith's motion, Commissioner Horton's second on a vote of 6-0 with Commissioner McKinley absent.

- e. **Discuss date and content of Community Forum for 2011**

A motion to approve the date for the 2011 Community Forum was approved on Commissioner Smith's motion, Commissioner Linder's second on a vote of 6-0 with Commissioner McKinley absent.

- f. **Reports from Commissioners on attending other Board's and Commission's meetings**

Commissioner Horton and Commissioner Harden attended the Childhood Obesity Forum. Commissioner Smith attended the Urban Renewal Board meeting.

Dr. Eugene volunteered to serve as a Project Advisor for the Selection Process of an artist for the Art in Public Places project at the African American Cultural Heritage Facility.

- g. **Setting agenda items for future meetings, including non-substantive housekeeping matters (such as meeting dates, potential topics, and information and research requests for staff)**

The Commissioners would like to have a discussion about the 2011 Community Forum on the January agenda along with a discussion of the outcome of the briefing presentation to the City Council.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.