

# COMMISSION ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS MINUTES

# REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, May 11th, 2011, 6:30PM

The Commission on Immigrant Affairs convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at City Hall, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Executive Session Room #1027, Austin, Texas.

**Members in Attendance Presenters:** 

Laura Hernandez, Vice-Chair

Donald Krupens Sonny Ogunro Syed Rahman

**Members Absent** 

Miguel Ancira Christopher Cano Thomas Esparza, Chair **Staff** 

Natalie Cuccia, HHSD Kerri Lang, HHSD Budget

Shannon Jones, Acting Director, HHSD

Diane Siler, Corporate Budget

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hernandez called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.
- 2. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION: None
- **3. PRESENTATION:** Shannon Jones, Acting Director, HHSD, gave a briefing on the Health and Human Services Fiscal Year 2012 Budget process and provided an opportunity for the Commission to provide feedback. Questions and discussion followed.
- **4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the meeting of April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 were approved on Commissioner Krupen's motion, Commissioner Ogunro second on a 4-0 vote. Cano, Esparza, Ancira not present.
- **5. REPORT: Immigrant Services Network:** Commissioner Esparza was absent, so no report was provided.

#### **6. NEW BUSINESS:**

a. **Legislative Update.** Commissioner Hernandez briefed the Commission on the bills discussed in the previous meeting that have the potential to affect the immigrant community. All bills have died in the Legislative and have no chance of passing, with the exception of House Bill 12 (HB12). HB12 seeks to address the undefined idea of sanctuary cities by prohibiting local governmental entities from adopting rule, order,

ordinance or policy under which the entity would not enforced state and federal immigration laws. HB12 is currently moving through the Texas Senate. The Commissioners opted to call a Special Meeting to discuss recommendations to the City Council.

## 7. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Emergency Contact Card for Residents with limited English proficiency.** No new updates
- b. City of Austin discussions with Austin Independent School District (AISD). No new updates

## 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m. without objection.