



**AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Chiquita Eugene, Chair
Sherry Cherry
Wayne Cook
Clifford Gillard

Daryl Horton
Nelson Linder, Co-Chair
Greg Smith

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe Barnes
Carrie Brown

Melodye Foust

CALL TO ORDER—5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:40pm by Commissioner Eugene.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

There were no speakers

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2011 AND OCTOBER 5, 2011
REGULAR MEETINGS.**

The minutes stand as presented with an additional notation in the October 5, 2011 minutes to reflect the consensus of the Commission to return to their meetings to the Street Jones Building at 1000 E. 11th Street.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Reports from Commissioners on attending other Boards' and Commissions' meetings

There were no reports.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Presentation of artist's design concept for the Art in Public Places project to be installed at the African American Cultural & Heritage Facility (Reginald Charles Adams, selected artist)

Reginald Charles Adams, selected artist, presented his concept for the project to be installed at the African American Cultural & Heritage Facility which will consist of a tile mosaic to reflect the history of African Americans in East Austin. Mr. Adams asked the Commission if they would be willing to take on the task of selecting 100 photographs to be used on the tiles that will run across the top and bottom of the mosaic. A working group was formed to select the photographs consisting of Commissioners Eugene, Linder, and Horton.

b. Approve Commission Meeting Schedule for 2012 as required by City Ordinance

This item was postponed to the December 7, 2011 meeting.

- c. Set 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 presentations on youth justice, the 11th & 12th Streets Revitalization efforts, and a report on the Turner Roberts Recreation Center at their December meeting. The commissioners would like presentations on the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless and other entities that work with the African American homeless population at their January meeting. The commissioners would like a draft letter prepared to address issues with the Austin Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.