



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

AGENDA

Monday, August 27, 2012

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm in City Hall Council Chambers

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in Room 1027

First Floor, 301 West Second Street

Austin, TX 78701

The Human Rights Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting, beginning in Council Chambers from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm, and continuing in Room 1027 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Both portions of the meeting are open to the public.

For more information, contact Rose Xavier, Administrative Support, at 974-3253.

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Tom Davis, Chair
Paul Rhea, Vice Chair

Elizabeth Brenner
Judy Cortez
DeWayne Lofton

Delia Meyer
George Reynolds

CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

Citizens signed up prior to the meeting's having been called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding including a "preservation of life" standard in the Austin Police Department (APD) Response to Resistance Policy – tabled from the May meeting. (Brenner/Reynolds)

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding the Convention on Human Rights to be held in Austin on September 1. (Davis/Rhea)
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding the shortage of shelters and beds for homeless women in Austin. (Meyer/Davis)
- c. Discussion and possible action regarding bringing City of Austin employees into Civil Service status. (Cortez/Davis)

6. STATUS OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Commissioners will report on and discuss:

- a. The status of the Commission's goals and objectives for 2012
- b. Plans and strategies for meeting those goals and objectives

7. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- Items of interest to the Commission from the City of Austin Equal Employment Opportunity/ Fair Housing Office.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Commissioners propose agenda items for future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

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For more information on the Human Rights Commission, please contact Rose Xavier at 974-3253 or visit <http://www.austintexas.gov/hrc>.