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# **REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2014**

The Municipal Civil Service Commission convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at the Waller Creek Center located at 625 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street #104, in Austin, Texas.

#### Chair Kovach called the Commission meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

#### **Commissioners in Attendance:**

Kimberlee Kovach, Chair Teresa Perez-Wiseley, Vice-Chair Pamela Lancaster Lynn Rubinett Kevin Russell

#### **Staff in Attendance:**

Mark Washington, HR Director Barry Cook, Civil Service Administrator Pamela Wade, Municipal Civil Service Coordinator Alondra Johnson, Municipal Civil Service Coordinator Beverly West, Attorney Michael Cronig, Attorney

## 1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

- **a.** Carol Guthrie, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), spoke on the Recommended Municipal Civil Service Rules.
- **b.** Howard Lazarus, Director, Public Works at the City of Austin, spoke on the Recommended Municipal Civil Service Rules.
- **c.** Stephen Elkins, Chief Information Officer, Communications & Technology Management at the City of Austin, spoke on the Recommended Municipal Civil Service Rules.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **a.** The minutes from the meeting of January 22, 2014 were approved on Commissioner Russell's motion, Commissioner Perez-Wiseley's second on a 5-0 vote.
- **b.** The minutes from the meeting of January 21, 2014 were approved on Commissioner Russell's motion, Commissioner Perez-Wiseley's second on a 5-0 vote.

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**c.** The minutes from the meeting of February 6, 2014 were approved on Commissioner Russell's motion, Commissioner Perez-Wiseley's second on a 5-0 vote.

#### 3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- **a.** Presentation of draft language for Rule 7 regarding "simple majority" when affirmative action of the Commission.
  - i. Presentation was made by: Beverly West, Assistant City Attorney at the City of Austin

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discussion regarding modifications to the Recommended Municipal Civil Service Rules 1-7.

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i. Facilitated by:
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Larry Schooler, Community Engagement Consultant at the City of Austin

## 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/NEXT MEETING

- **a.** The special called meeting of the Municipal Civil Service Commission of February 25, 2014 was canceled on Commissioner Rubinett's motion, Chair Kovach's second on a 5-0 vote.
- **b.** Include on the next agenda an item for review and discussion of the Municipal Civil Service Commission's requested modifications to the Recommended Municipal Civil Service Rules.
- **c.** Include on the next agenda an item for the approval of the February 18, 2014 regular meeting minutes of the Municipal Civil Service Commission.
- **d.** Include on the next agenda an item for the discussion and possible action regarding the setting of the agenda for the public hearing regarding the Recommended Municipal Civil Service Rules.

#### 7. ADJOURN

Chair Kovach adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m. on Commissioner Perez-Wiseley's motion, Commissioner Lancaster's second on a 5-0 vote.

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