



COMMISSION ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

**2:00 pm in Mexican American Cultural Center Room 201
600 River St
Austin, TX 78701**

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Cassaundra St. John, Chair (Spelman)	Del Kolbe (Riley)
Phillip Gutierrez, Vice Chair (Martinez)	Bill McLellan (Leffingwell)
John Conley (Cole)	Linda Yoder (Tovo)
Chris Garcia (Morrison)	

CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Citizens signed up prior to the meeting being 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

Consider approval of the minutes from the Commission on Veterans Affairs Special Called Meeting on October 23, 2014.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. OLD BUSINESS – For Discussion and Possible Action

- a. Updates and reports by the Committee working groups lead about the top three priorities for our Veterans in the City of Austin.
 - i. Homeless Veterans:
 - ii. Employment and Education:
 - iii. Female Veterans:
- b. Scheduling 2015 Veteran Commission meetings

5. NEW BUSINESS - For Discussion and Possible Action

- a. Nominations and elections of the Chair and Vice Chair for the Commission on Veteran Affairs.

- b. Get on Travis County Commissioner's Court to discuss Veterans Tax Exemption (Phillip Gutierrez)
- c. Texas Coalition Veteran Organizations (TCVO) Update – Captain. Morgan Little

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. 10-1 / Election Update

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioners propose agenda items for future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

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Please call Allen Bergeron at the Veterans Program Department at 512-974-3459 or Allen.Bergeron@austintexas.gov for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711.

For more information on the Veterans Commission, please contact Tina Lee at 512-974-3306 or visit <http://www.austintexas.gov/content/commission-veterans-affairs-1>