



**REGULAR MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES**

The Commission On Seniors convened in a regular meeting on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2014, Boards and Commissions, First floor in room 1101, 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Vice-Chair Erica Garcia-Pittman called the meeting to order at 12:07p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Jacqueline Angel	Joyce Lauck	Dan Pruett
Erica Garcia-Pittman	Fred Lugo	Monica Saavedra

Staff in Attendance:

Robert Kingham, COA-HHSD Willie Williams, COA-HHSD

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 12, 2014 MEETING.

- Commissioner Dan Pruett made a motion to accept the minutes.
- Commissioner Fred Lugo seconded the motion.
- Motion passed 6-0.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A) Presentation by AustinUP (Angela Atwood, Board Chair)

- Goal is to engage everyone in the community especially business to help solve the big issues facing older adults and their caregivers.
- Looking to hire an Executive Director in early 2015.
- 501(c)3 status is pending with IRS.
- Meals on Wheels is offering office space for AustinUP.
- The Commission on Seniors would like regular updates from AustinUP as they are launching this new non-profit.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A) Commission Work Plan – Standing Item.

- Under goal 3 Action item – Include the information Tiffany Cabin presented on transportation options for Seniors provided by PARD.
- How do they prioritize items?

- Suggested Action Items:
 - Have the Commission present their work plan to Council. Request the assistance from the Commission on People with Disabilities to better understand how they have influenced policy and worked with City Council.
 - Recommendation to meet off-site at a community senior center – to improve input and participation from the community.
 - Improve communication and information about meetings to the community – Commissioner Monica Saavedra will develop a flyer/information sheet and bring it back to the group for approval.
 - What kind of interactive polling options does the City have? Clickers to vote or just post-it posters with stickers.
 - Use One Voice Central Texas newsletter.
 - Due to new Council Members, What is the mission of the Commission – Is it the same as the purpose in the bylaws?

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- A) Overview of City of Austin Commission on Seniors.
 - None at this time.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Request for identified entities to present at future meetings:
 - i. Mayors Commission on People with Disabilities
 - ii. Corporate Budget
 - iii. Travis County Budget
 - iv. Foundation Communities

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 1:30p.m.