

#### HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION <u>AGENDA</u> Monday, March 23, 2015 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm in City Hall Council Chambers 6:30 pm in Room 1027 (Both portions of the meeting are open to the public.) 301 West Second Street Austin, TX 78701

### **CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Sara Clark, Chair Will Krueger, Vice Chair Elizabeth Brenner Judy Cortez Lauren Guilbeaux DeWayne Lofton Paul Rhea

# CALL TO ORDER

# 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Citizens signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a threeminute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consider approval of the minutes from the Human Rights Commission's January 24, 2015 work session and January 26, 2015 regular meeting.

### **3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### 4. OLD BUSINESS

For discussion and possible action:

a. Discussion and possible action related to Undoing Racism Training for City and Austin Police Department (APD) personnel. (Clark/Cortez)

- b. Discussion and possible action related to APD training and policies concerning racial profiling, cultural sensitivity, and use of force. (Clark/Rhea)
- c. Discussion and possible action related to City of Austin accommodations for people with hearing impairments. (Clark/Rhea)

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and possible action related to HRC Plan for 10-1 Commission Transition and Diversity. (Clark/Krueger)

### 6. STATUS OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Commissioners will report on and discuss:

- a. The status of the Commission's goals and objectives for 2015.
  - i. Increase community awareness of and involvement with the Human Rights Commission
  - ii. Increase focus on follow-through
  - iii. Create a plan for 10-1 Commission transition and diversity
  - iv. Continue collaboration with APD and other City bodies to address human rights issues, including racism and discrimination
  - v. Continue to address affordability issues in the City of Austin
  - vi. Continue to address challenges facing people with disabilities in the City of Austin

### 7. STAFF BRIEFINGS

Items of interest to the Commission from the EE/FHO and other City staff.

### 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioners propose agenda items for future meetings.

### ADJOURNMENT

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