



Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission Regular Meeting

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Commission Members:

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| Lemuel Williams, Jr., Chair | Chelsea McCullough, Vice Chair |
| Wendell Ramsey | Melvin White |
| Elizabeth Quintanilla | Tracy LaQuey Parker |
| David Holmes | |

The following items are posted for discussion and possible action.

1. Call to order – March 11, 2015 – 6:48 p.m.

Commission members in attendance:

Lemuel Williams, Jr.
Chelsea McCullough
Wendell Ramsey
Melvin White
Tracy LaQuey Parker
David Holmes

Commission members absent:

Elizabeth Quintanilla

Staff in attendance:

Rondella Hawkins
Paul Lewis
John Speirs
Sharla Chamberlain
Jane Reina

2. Adoption of agenda.

The agenda was adopted by consent of the Commission.

3. Citizen Communications: General

The first 10 speakers 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.

No citizens signed up for general communications.

4. Approval of minutes – February 11, 2015 Commission Regular Meeting.

Minutes from the Commission regular meeting of February 11, 2015 were approved on Commissioner LaQuey Parkers' motion; Commissioner Ramsey's second on a vote of 6-0. (Commissioner Quintanilla absent.)

5. Discussion and possible action on 2014 Work Plan accomplishments.

Motion to adopt the Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commissions 2014 Work Plan accomplishments was made on Commissions McCullough's motion; Commissioner White's second on a vote of 6-0. (Commissioner Quintanilla absent.)

View the accomplishment at: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=227466>

6. Develop and possible action on 2015 Work Plan.

Motion to adopt the Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commissions 2015 Work Plan was made on Commissions Ramsey's motion; Commissioner White's second on a vote of 6-0. (Commissioner Quintanilla absent.)

View the 2015 Work Plan at: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=228032>

7. Take action on 2015 Grant for Technology Opportunities Program (GTOPs) grant recommendations. (John Speirs)

Motion to accept the 2015 Grant for Technology Opportunities Program (GTOPs) Grant Review Committee's (GTOPs) recommendations as follows: Breakthrough Austin \$25,000.; The Arc of the Capital Area \$25,000.; HACA Scholarship Foundation DBA Austin Pathways \$25,000.; Skillpoint Alliance \$24,000.; Knowbility, Inc. \$23,000.; Capitol Area Council, Boy Scouts of America \$22,000.; Texas Folklife Resources \$20,500.; Austin Children's Museum \$18,000.; and Austin Achieve Public Schools Inc. \$17,500. was approved on Commissioner Ramsey's motion; Commissioner White's second on a vote of 6-0. (Commissioner Quintanilla absent.)

View the Grant awardee and their plan for the grant funds at:

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=227467>

8. Input and Recommendation on the process to replace Community Connection Site. (John Speirs)

Motion to accept the process to replace Community Connection Site utilizing the initial review and assessment criteria was made on Commissioner Ramsey's motion; Commissioner McCullough's second on a vote of 6-0. (Commissioner Quintanilla absent.)

9. Austin Digital Inclusion Strategic Plan update. (John Speirs, Sharla Chamberlain, Kirby Aull)

John Speirs and Sharla Chamberlain with the City of Austin Office of Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs gave the update. View the presentation at:
<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=227707>

10. Staff briefing on Legislative, Regulatory and Policy update. (Paul Lewis)

Paul Lewis, Assistant Manager of the City of Austin Office of Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs (TARA) update included Cable/Video Issue; City & State Regulations; and Federal Activity. Visit the full report at:
<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=227468>

11. Update reports on networking relationships with other boards/commissions and groups, citywide and Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission (ACT&TC) information items.

Commissioner McCullough reported that Texas [House Bill 2440](#) from state Rep. [Chris Paddie](#), R-Marshall, would grant firms like Uber & Lyft statewide operating permits.

12. Discussion of agenda items for ACT&TC future meetings, next regular meeting scheduled for April 8, 2015.

Proposed agenda items for the April 8, 2015 regular meeting:

- Appointment of 2015 GTOPs Review Working Group
- Presentation from River City Youth Foundation
- GTOPs Grant Review Committee members recognition.
- Presentation from Austin Chamber of Commerce on Clean Energy
- CTM Open Government Update.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm