

AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES June 3, 2015

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Daryl Horton, Chair Sherry Cherry, Vice Chair Dr. Chiquita Eugene

Clifford Gillard Nelson Linder Greg Smith

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Roxanne Evans Melodye Foust Stephanie Hayden Kymberley Maddox Dusty McCormick Ryan Robinson Jeffrey Travillion Mark Washington Beverly Wilson

CALL TO ORDER-5:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Commissioner Horton.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Ms. Cheryl Bradley addressed the Commissioner concerning loss of City funding for the African American Youth Harvest Foundation.

Mr. Victor Reed addressed the Commission concerning the Recommendations by the Human Rights Commission and African American Resource Advisory Commission concerning additional funds needed to address historic inequities in the African American Community stating that \$15,000,000 is not enough to address the current issues.

Mr. Richard Franklin addressed the Commission concerning the Recommendations by the Human Rights Commission and African American Resource Advisory Commission concerning additional funds needed to address historic inequities in the African American Community stating that \$15,000,000 is not enough to address the current issues.

Mr. Jeffrey Travillion and Mr. Peck Young addressed the Commission concerning African American HUB contracting for Austin Independent School District.

2. Community Nominations of Individuals to be considered for inclusion in the Art in Public Places Project at the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility

There were no nominations presented.

THERE MAY BE DISCUSSION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

3. Approval of the minutes from the May 6, 2015 Regular Meeting

The minutes stand as presented.

4. Briefing: Update on the African American Scorecard (Ryan Robinson, Demographer, Planning Department)

Mr. Ryan Robinson presented some of the updated demographics associated with the African American Scorecard. The data is currently still being finalized.

5. Briefing: FY2016 Budget for the Health and Human Services Department (Kymberley Maddox, Chief Administrative Officer, Austin/ Travis County Health and Human Services Department)

Ms. Kymberley Maddox and Ms. Stephanie Hayden presented the proposed FY16 Budget for the Health and Human Services Department.

6. Presentation: Culturally Inclusive Fine Arts for Children Program (Floyd Henry and Jonathan Clark)

This item was withdrawn as the presenters were not present.

7. Discussion and Possible Action: Commission's top priorities for the HUD Action Plan and for the \$15,000,000 request to City Council in support of African American Quality of Life in Austin

There was no action on this item.

8. Discussion: Commission's visit to the Circuit of the Americas track

Commissioners Horton and Cherry along with Staff Member Melodye Foust received a tour of the facility and were able to discuss minority contracting with the Human Resources Director.

- 9. Updates from Working Groups
 - a. Small Business/Parking Issues on E. 11th & E. 12th Streets

There was no report.

b. Photograph Selection for Mural

Commissioner Eugene received information concerning the nomination of Algerene Craig. Commissioner Eugene stated that Ms. Craig has already been inducted into the mural project.

c. Health and Mental Health

There was no report.

d. Public Safety

Commissioner Linder reported on the use of an on-call system and the use of body cameras.

e. Expansion of Carver

Commissioner Horton reported that the Working Group and the Carver are moving forward with their plans for expansion.

10. Set agenda items for future meetings, including non-substantive housekeeping matters (such as meeting dates, potential topics, and information and research requests for staff)

The next meeting will include election of new officers under the new commission structure and a welcome for the new commissioners.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.