



COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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MINUTES

Regular Meeting – June 10, 2015

City Hall - Austin, TX

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CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

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

Commission Members Present:

Chelsea McCullough, Vice Chair
Wendell Ramsey
Melvin White
Elizabeth Quintanilla

Commission Members Absent:

Lemuel Williams, Chair
Tracy LaQuey Parker
David Holmes

Staff in attendance:

Rondella Hawkins
Paul Lewis
John Speirs
Sharla Chamberlain
Kirby Aull
Jane Reina

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first ten 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 citizen communications.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 13, 2015

Minutes from the Commission regular meeting of May 13, 2015 were approved on Commissioner White's motion; Commissioner Quintanilla's second on a vote of 4-0.
(Commissioners Williams, LaQuey Parker and Holmes absent)

3. PRESENTATIONS

a. Austin Free-Net (Juanita Budd, Executive Director)

Ms. Budd gave a brief update. Visit this link for the information presented.

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=233252>

b. Presentation on Capital City Black Film Festival (Winston Williams, Executive Director) (Commissioner White)

Mr. Winston Williams gave a brief presentation. Find info at: www.capcitybff.com
or contact the Capital City Black Film Festival at 512-301-4241

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS (Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Staff Briefing on Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs Proposed FY16 Budget (Melanie Kroll Eichman)

Ms. Eichman gave an extensive presentation. Visit this link for info presented:

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=233253>

b. Update on Public Access/Community Media Management Request for Proposal (RFP) (Paul Lewis)

Paul Lewis, Assistant Manager City of Austin Office of Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs (TARA) reported that the RFP for the Public Access TV management contract closed April 30. The five submitted proposals were evaluated June 5th. The Austin Film Society was selected as the vendor for the new management contract that will go to Council for approval in August with an effective date of October 1st.

c. Digital Inclusion Strategic Plan Update (John Speirs, Sharla Chamberlain, TARA)

John Speirs, Program Coordinator and Sharla Chamberlain, Program Specialist with the City of Austin Office of Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs, presented the update. Visit the PowerPoint presentation at:

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=233088>

d. Legislative, Regulatory and Policy Update (Paul Lewis, TARA)

Paul Lewis, Assistant Manager 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.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=233313>

**5. NEW BUSINESS – For discussion and possible action
FY16 Budget Recommendations to City Council (Vice Chair McCullough)**

Commissioner McCullough reminded the Commission of the budget recommendations recommend by Mr. Rosenthal during his May 13, 2015 Open Austin update. No action was taken at this meeting.

**6. OLD BUSINESS – For discussion and possible action
City of Austin Distracted Driving Ordinance Update (Vice Chair McCullough)**

The update was read into record. View update at:

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=233251>

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Chair Announcements

Commission Vice Chair McCullough read into record a letter from Commission Chair Williams which thanked the Commission members and staff for all their work and accomplishment. It was very touching.

b. Items from Commission Members

Each Commissioner thanked the City, Staff and the other Commissioners for allowing them to partake in being part of Austin history.

c. Items from City Staff

Rondella Hawkins, Director of the City of Austin's Office of Telecommunications and Regulatory Affairs, thanked the Commission for their years of service to the City and supporting City Staff with programs like the Digital Inclusion Strategic Plan, Grant for Technology Opportunities, and the Residential Technology Survey.

**8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Next Regular Meeting: August 12, 2015**

This Commission will not meet the month of July 2015. Due to this being the final meeting of the present Commission there were no proposed items for the August 12, 2015 regular meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

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