



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 6 p.m.
Mexican American Cultural Center
600 River Street
Austin, TX**

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Jill Ramirez, Chair

Dianna Velasquez, Vice-Chair

Carlos Espinosa

Andrea Guerra

Rodolfo Jiménez

Carmen Llanes

Isabel López-Aguilar

Yvette Ruiz

Teófilo Tijerina

Emilio Zamora

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider approval of the minutes from the Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Advisory Commission Regular Meeting held on October 28, 2015.

Chair Ramirez proposed postponing this action, and Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar seconded the motion.

All voted in favor.

This motion passed 10-0-0

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and action to adjourn Oct 28, 2015 meeting

Commissioner Llanes motioned to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar seconded the motion.

All voted in favor and the Oct. 28, 2015 meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. on Nov. 18, 2015.

This motion passed 10-0-0

- b. Update on the development of the Office of Diversity and Equity



- c. Discussion and possible action regarding the Office of Diversity and Equity.

Commissioner Llanes motioned to keep this item as a standing item on the agenda for monthly updates; Commissioner Jimenez seconded the motion.

All voted in favor.

This motion passed 10-0-0

- d. Report from the Work Group regarding “Public Participation, Transparency and Awareness.”
- e. Discussion and possible action regarding strategies to increase public participation, transparency, and awareness of the work of the advisory commission.
- f. Discussion and possible action about future planning (Strategic Co-Creation) meeting.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding engaging both the African American and Asian American Quality of Lives Advisory Commissions

Vice Chair Velasquez voted to add “Update from the Joint Inclusion Commission” as a standing item on the agenda; Commissioner Jimenez seconded the motion.

All voted in favor.

This motion passed 10-0-0.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Note: This section of the agenda gives the members an opportunity to request items for future agendas. By City ordinance, two board members are required to sponsor an item. Staff should assume that if there is no objection from other members expressed at the meeting, the members’ silence indicates approval for staff to include on the next agenda.

- *Update from the Innovation Office on the Spirit of East Austin event*
- *Equity Office Update item (standing item)*
- *Joint Inclusion Update item (standing item)*
- *Item to set meeting date for strategic co-creation meeting*
- *Discuss community happenings and updates (standing item)*
- *Discussion/Possible action on Commissioners participating in other Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Council Meetings in their official capacity, especially in regards to emergency situations.*



ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar motioned to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Llanes seconded the motion.

All voted in favor

This motion passed 10-0-0.

The Nov. 18, 2015 meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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