



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 24, 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 Pulido

Isabel López-Aguilar

Teófilo Tijerina

Fernando Treviño

Emilio Zamora

AGENDA

Citizens wishing to speak on agenda and non-agenda related items must sign up at least ten minutes before the meeting is called to order. Citizens may speak on non-agenda items under the Citizens Communications section of the agenda. Citizens may speak on an agenda related item after a presentation on the item has been made. Citizens might not speak after City staff presentations. Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns. Boards and Commissions follow the same rules as City Council meetings.

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 Meetings held on January 27 and February 13, 2016.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Report current events and happenings at the Mexican American Cultural Center.
- b. Update, discussion and possible action regarding the development of the Office of Diversity and Equity.
- c. Report, discussion and possible action regarding the “Public Participation, Transparency and Awareness” work group.
- d. Report, discussion and possible action regarding the “Economic Development” work group.
- e. Report, discussion and possible action regarding the “Health & Human Services” work group

- f. Update and possible action regarding the Joint Inclusion Committee
- g. Discussion and possible action regarding board retreat
- h. Community information sharing

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action on the 10 items that were requested and funded for the 2015-16 City budget, as well as those that were not funded.
- b. Discussion and possible action on the 4 quarterly meetings that Commissions are allowed outside of the regular scheduled monthly meetings.
- c. Presentation from the organization “Mis Cuentas” about their programs that provide upward mobility to East Austin participants and that has successfully graduated over 400 students.
- d. Discussion and possible action about “Mis Cuentas” presentation
- e. Discussion and possible action about year two of the current Hispanic/Latino Leadership Pilot Program at the ESB-MACC
- f. Discussion and possible action about housing affordability including proposals by developers, Women in Housing, etc.
- g. Discussion and possible action about internal rules to add items to the agenda

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Guidance to add items to Commissioner’s meeting agenda

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.

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