



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION**
Wednesday, March 23, 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

REVISED 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, February 24, 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 selection of a Commissioner to represent the H/LQOL Advisory Commission at Commission on Senior's meeting either May 11 or June 8. The Commissioners would like to know about the challenges and issues for older adults regarding affordable housing, health care, access to service and other issue areas.
- b. Presentation from Henry Flores about affordability challenges.
- c. Discussion and possible action about affordability challenges in the Austin area.
- d. Discussion and possible action regarding the current Hispanic Community Scorecard and Data Themes dated Sep 9, 2008 and Resolution 201400612-059.
- e. Discussion and possible action about scheduling a Special Called Meeting.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Presentation on the FY 2016-1017 Action Plan Process, Austin Housing Plan development, and opportunities for public participation (Jim Padilla, NHCD)

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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