

**COMMISSION FOR WOMEN  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 8th, 2016**



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**REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th, 2016**

The Commission for Women convened for a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 8th, 2016 at Terrazas Library, 1105 E. Cesar Chavez, Rm. A, in Austin, Texas.

**Chair Barrios called the Board Meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.**

**Commissioners in Attendance:**

Rosanna Barrios, Chair  
Barbara Fountain, Vice-Chair  
LaKisha Thigpen, Secretary  
Karen Temborius  
Ana DeFrates  
Kasha Gamble  
Amanda Lewis  
Julia Cuba Lewis  
Sarah Tober

**Commissioners Absent:**

Flannery Bope

**Staff in Attendance:**

Sheila Balog, Human Resources Department  
Sandra Adame, Human Resources Department

**1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

None.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes for the regular meeting of May 1, 2016 were approved on Commissioner A. Lewis' motion and Commissioner Temborius' second on a 9-0 vote.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding report of findings from the rape kits working group.

**Commissioner DeFrates reported that the working group did not meet this month, but will meet in the next month and will report back to the commission next month. They will be meeting with both law enforcement and the Institute for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.**

- b. Discussion and possible action regarding the results of the Town Hall meetings concerning the City Equity Office plans.

**On May 25, 2016, both Commissioner DeFrates and Commissioner A. Lewis attended the Town Hall meeting regarding the City Equity Office. The purpose of the meeting was to get input from the community to identify the scope and function of the city's new equity office. Commissioners DeFrates said the concerns voiced by the community included: the costs and expenses to staff the office, and a concern there would not be meaningful and constant community involvement by the Equity Office going forward. Commissioners agreed to a future agenda item for the commission to create a recommendation for Council to ensure meaningful community involvement is continued in regards to the city's Equity Office.**

- c. Discussion and possible action regarding Commissioner Tober's draft report concerning the requirements, content, and process for the creation and implementation of a Women's Hall of Fame webpage.

**Commissioner Tober prepared a proposal for the Women's Hall of Fame web page on the City's website. Tober said that Mayor Pro Tem Tovo will sponsor the proposal and take to Council. Commissioner A. Lewis motioned to approve the proposal with revisions and Commissioner DeFrates seconded on a 9-0 vote.**

### 4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Request to add agenda item- Discussion and possible action regarding the commission making a recommendation to council regarding the City Equity Office to have continuous and meaningful community involvement.
- b. Request to add agenda item-Discussion and possible action regarding social media use for commission.
- c. Request to add agenda item- Report and discussion regarding the Workplace Culture working groups' June meeting.

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**d. Request to add agenda item- Report and discussion regarding the Rape Kits working groups' June meeting.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Barrios adjourned the meeting at 1:00pm on Commissioner Tober's motion, Commissioner Fountain's second, on a 9-0 vote.**