



## **COMMISSION ON VETERANS AFFAIRS**

### **AGENDA**

**Wednesday, August 17, 2016**

**6:30 pm in ACC Veterans Resource Center (Highland Mall)**

**6001 Airport Blvd**

**Austin, TX 78752**

#### **COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Jason Denny – Chair

Pete Salazar – Vice Chair

Douglas O’Connell

Phillip Gutierrez

George Bailey Harrington

VACANT

Adrenne Mendoza

Molly Potter

David Thomas

Guillermo Villarreal

Lloyd Phillips

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

Citizens 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.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Consider approval of the minutes from the Commission on Veterans Affairs regular meeting on July 20, 2016.

#### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding the top three priorities for our Veterans in the City of Austin.
  - i. Homeless Veterans
  - ii. Employment, Transitioning Vets and Education
  - iii. Female Veterans
- b. Update and data regarding homeless veterans in Austin from ECHO Coordinated Assessment Program Director Preston Petty.
- c. Updates and discussion regarding the Veterans park initiative for the City of Austin.

- d. Discussion and updates regarding the City of Austin “One Stop Shop initiative.”

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion regarding changing the meeting to the third Thursday of the month and possibly moving it to quarterly vs monthly.

#### **5. STAFF UPDATES**

- a. Women Veterans Honor Flight
- b. Soldier Internship Update
- c. Veterans Day Parade

#### **6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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Please call Allen Bergeron at the Veterans Program Department at 512-974-3459 or [Allen.Bergeron@austintexas.gov](mailto:Allen.Bergeron@austintexas.gov) for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711.

For more information on the Veterans Commission, please contact Tina Lee at 512-974-3306 or visit <http://www.austintexas.gov/content/commission-veterans-affairs-1>