



African American Resources Advisory Commission MINUTES

**MEETING
WEDNESDAY, February 3, 2016**

The African American Resources Advisory Commission convened in a meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at City Hall 301 West 2nd Street, Conference Room 2029 in Austin, Texas.

African American Resources Advisory Commissioners in Attendance: LaTisha Anderson, Jessica Faith Carter, Aaron Demerson, Chiquita Eugene, Clifford Gillard, Daryl Horton, Garfield Landry, Michael Lee, Nelson Linder, Kenneth Thompson. Absent Aaron Whatley

City Staff in Attendance:

Ora Houston City Council Member, Mark Washington Interim Assistant City Manager, Dusty McCormick Economic & Business Development Liaison of Economic Development, Beverly Wilson of Council Member Houston Staff, Jannette Goodall, City Clerk Office, and Linda Hayes of Economic Development.

Concern:

Commissioner Kenneth Thompson would like for it to reflect in the minutes that he would like for an employee from Austin Energy attend the next meeting to discuss the solar project.

Commissioner Garfield Landry would like for the minutes to reflect that it is a type –o on the second page the word approve should be approved.

1. Citizen Communication:

Mike Manor of Quality Assurance Program Administrator, Travis County Health and Human Service & Veterans Service Chair, Travis County Sheriff's Office Building Bridges, provided some information concerning Building Bridges Continuous Quality Improvement working on an action plans with the NAACP to take over the Town Hall Meeting with the Build a Bridge Volunteer to do workshops for the commission.

Gregg Smith President of Revitalization Authority Concern in the Community – Map Presentation Disparity - Minority concerns pertaining to the Council Meeting February 4, 2016 concerning the 360 performance evaluation for the appointed officials.

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

- a) Eileen Schrandt presentation on the Housing Authority for the Rosewood Grant implantation on how the Grant and provide clarity on it will work for the Rosewood Choice Project.
- b) Stevel Sadowsky presentation on Historic Home in East Austin the survey that is going right now to help the home from destruction. The information from the survey will be providing to community by neighborhood watch meetings and community meetings.
- c) Jannette Goodall presentation on Board and Commission Responsibilities.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Question on the names of the new stakeholders that would be presented the council meeting the following day. Jannette or Chair Horton didn't have the names.
- b) Question pertaining what is Joint Inclusion Committee and Joint Cultural Committee what is the difference in the two committees. Chair Horton provided the information for the Committee By-Laws.
- c) Nomination from the floor for Joint Inclusion represented: Garfield Landry unanimous vote
- d) Nomination from the floor for Joint Cultural represented: Aaron Whatley unanimous vote
- e) Nomination from the floor for Vice Chair 1st nomination Commissioner Chiquita Eugene and 2nd nomination Commissioner Michael Lee

Votes Commissioner Eugene - 8

Commissioner Lee – 3

Commissioner Eugene is the Vice Chair

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. March Meeting

- a) Austin Energy representative on a discussion about Solar Ryan Robinson for the seniors in East Austin.
- b) City Demographics
- c) Rosewood Report Fred McGhee
- d) Workforce

e) Retreat discussion

2. April Meeting

a) AISD Report of the Educational Excellent Report 2014

b) Transportation Maps for East Austin

c) City Budget

Commissioner Horton thank staff for proving refreshments for the meeting.

Meeting Adjourn. With singing Happy Birthday to Commissioner Garfield Landry