



**AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting – Wednesday, November 2, 2016, 5:30 P.M.**  
**Street-Jones Building**  
**1000 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 400-A**  
**Austin, Texas 78702**

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

LaTisha Anderson, Jessica Faith Carter, Aaron Demerson, Dr. Chiquita Eugene, Clifford Gillard, Tam Hawkins, Daryl Horton-Chair, Marissa Jones, Lisa Fritsch, Nelson Linder, Michael M. Lee, Esquire, Ruthie Redmond, Kenneth Thompson, Aaron Whatley, Gregory Smith

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 P.M.**

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 5, 2016

**2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

Any speakers 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..

**3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. Equity Officer – Brion Oaks
- b. Culture and Arts Education Manager of the George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center Hiring Process – Laura Esparza Division Manager
- c. Health and Human Services Dept. - Youth Harvest Foundation FY17 Budget– Robert Kingham Manager of Social Services Policy for Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services
- d. Update on African American Quality of Life Meeting at Huston Tillotson University – Nelson Linder

**4. WORKING GROUPS – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. Small Business/Parking Issues on E. 11<sup>th</sup> & E. 12<sup>th</sup> Streets
- b. Photograph Selection for Mural
- c. Health and Mental Health
- d. Public Safety
- e. Expansion of Carver Library
- f. Solar and Economic
- g. Youth and Education

- h. Urban Music/Other Cultural Activities
- i. Changes to By-Laws and Commission Membership
- j. Feasibility ~ Budget Recommendations

## **5. OLD BUSINESS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. None

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. None

## **7. COMMISSION AND STAFF UPDATE**

- a. *None*

## **8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. Austin Convention and Visitor's Bureau – Tom Noonan, President and CEO (February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017)
- b. African American Heritage Network – Candice Wade Cooper President
- c. SXSW Presentation – Amin Simms
- d. Proposed Resolution for E-Cigarettes - Sheryl Cole and Kevin Opp

*Set agenda items for future meetings, including non-substantive housekeeping matters (such as meeting dates, potential topics, and information and research requests for staff)*

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