



AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 5:30 P.M.
Street-Jones Building
1000 East 11th 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 and Gregory Smith

MEETING CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 7, 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. Austin Independent School District – Gilbert Hicks, Associate Superintendent for Area 2 Elementary Schools
- b. FY18 City Budget Process – Ed Van Eenoo Deputy Chief Financial Officer
- c. Laura Esparza Division Manager of Museums and Cultural Programs Division COA and Recreation Department and the New Carver Library Manager Bamidele Agbasegbe Demerson
- d. Vanesa Silas, General Manager “The Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex”
- e. Adrienne Rison-Isom-Austin-Travis County Historic Commission - Educator Industrial Artist

4. WORKING GROUPS – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Small Business/Parking Issues on E. 11th & E. 12th 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. Nomination of two Commissioners - Quality of Life Boards and Commissions Working Group

7. COMMISSION AND STAFF UPDATE – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Outreach and Public Relations
- b. FY17 Budget African American Quality of Life
- c. Visitor Impact Task Force – Assistant City Manager, Mark Washington
- d. Parkland Task Force
- e. Special Call Meeting – FY18 Feasibility~Budget Recommendation

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Government Relations Office presentation regarding upcoming legislation
- b. CodeNext
- c. Austin Energy
- d. Transportation Department presentation regarding Transportation Bond Opportunities
- e. Equity Office Brion Oaks Chief Equity Officer [April Meeting]

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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