

**COMMISSION ON SENIORS
MARCH 8, 2017 AT 12:00PM
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, FIRST FLOOR, RM 1101
301 W. SECOND STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**



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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

There may be discussion and action on any of the following items:

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Each speaker signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will be called in order of sign-up and will be allowed three minutes to speak about items posted or not on the agenda.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR COMMISSION ON SENIORS
FEBRUARY 8, 2017 MEETING AND THE SPECIAL CALLED JOINT MEETING
WITH THE MAYOR'S COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES HELD ON
FEBRUARY 10, 2017.**

3. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Briefing and discussion regarding the work and priorities of the Equity Office and the development of an equity tool (Brion Oaks, Chief Equity Officer, City of Austin Equity Office)
- B. Briefing and discussion on the FY 2017-18 Annual Action Plan, the City of Austin's application to receive formula grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Erica Leak, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development)
- C. Discussion regarding creation of a recognition by the Commission on Seniors for Austinites who have had a positive impact on the senior community and have reduced burdens on seniors; serve the need of seniors in the Austin Community; and/or contribute to the cultural, economic, and/or historic value of Austin.
- D. Discussion and possible recommendation regarding paratransit services and other service and access issues related to Connections 2025.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discussion regarding developing recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2017-18 City of Austin budget – Standing Item
- B. Commission Work Plan – Standing Item
- C. Updates from Working Groups – Standing Item
 - i. Transportation
 - ii. Housing, Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
 - iii. Social Participation, Respect and Social Inclusion
 - iv. Civic Participation and Employment; Communication and Information
 - v. Community Health Services
 - vi. Age Friendly City
- D. Update on Joint Inclusion Committee – Standing Item (Janee Briesemeister)
- E. Update on the Equity Action Team – Standing Item (Emily De Maria Nicola)

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- A. Overview of City of Austin Commission on Seniors

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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For more information on the Commission on Seniors, please contact Laura Williamson at (512) 972-5206 or at laura.williamson2@austintexas.gov.