

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE

## HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 6:00pm Mexican American Cultural Center 600 River Street Austin, TX 78701

## **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

Jill Ramirez, Chair Dianna Velasquez, Vice-Chair Carlos Espinosa Andrea Guerra Rodolfo Jiménez Carmen Llanes Pulido Isabel López-Aguilar Teófilo Tijerina Fernando Trevino Emilio Zamora

## **Approved Minutes (January 25, 2017)**

Citizens wishing to speak on agenda and non-agenda related items must sign up at least ten minutes before the meeting is called to order. Citizens may speak on non-agenda items under the Citizens Communications section of the agenda. Citizens may speak on an agenda related item after a presentation on the item has been made. Citizens might not speak after City staff presentations. Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns. Boards and Commissions follow the same rules as City Council meetings.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 6:10pm by Dr. Emilio Zamora in absence of Chair Jill Ramirez and Vice-Chair Dianna Velasquez. Vice-Chair Velasquez, joined the meeting after the meeting call to order and presided the meeting from that time forward.

#### **Board Members in attendance:**

Dianna Velasquez, Vice-Chair, Rodolfo Jiménez, Carmen Llanes Pulido, Teófilo Tijerina, Fernando Trevino and Emilio Zamora, Andrea Guerra

#### **Staff in Attendance:**

Ray Baray, Chief of Staff, Marion Sanchez, Community Engagement Consultant and Commission Liaison

#### 1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

a. None signed up

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Llanes Pulido motioned to approved minutes of September 26, 2016 meeting, Commissioner Tijerina second. Motion passed unanimous.

## 2. STAFF BRIEFING

- a. Joya Hayes, Director of Human Resources briefed Commissioners regarding employee representation and demographics
- b. Stephanie Bergara, Music Program Coordinator briefed Commissioners regarding Music Industry Census report.
- c. Ray Baray, Chief of Staff & Brion Oaks, Equity Officer briefed Commissioners about the new office.
- d. Ray Baray, Chief of Staff briefed Commissioners regarding City Council budget.

#### 3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Working Group/Assignments reports:
  - i. Public participation, transparency and awareness workgroup: No update
  - ii. Economic Development in Latino Communities workgroup: No update
  - iii. Health workgroup: No update
  - iv. Joint Inclusion Commission: No update
  - v. Commission on Seniors: No update
  - vi. Budget and Policy Priorities workgroup: Commissioner Llanes Pulido moved to request staff to identify compatible workgroups in the other Quality of Life Advisory Commissions to collaborate and develop priorities for budget process to present and discuss with Mayor; Vice-Chair Velasquez second. Motion passed unanimous. Vice-Chair Velasquez moved to amend members of the Budget and Policy Priorities workgroup membership, Commissioner Llanes Pulido will take Vice-Chair Velasquez' place and Commissioner Guerra will be added. The new membership will include Chair Ramirez and Commissioners Lopez-Aguilar, Zamora, Guerra and Llanes Pulido. Commissioner Llanes Pulido second. Motion passed unanimous.
  - vii. Education work group: No update
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding the Equity Office: Commissioners asked questions to the new Equity Officer, Mr. Brion and provided a historical briefing on the creation of the new office.
- c. Discussion and possible action regarding budget recommendations: Commissioners discussed the process and possible future actions.
- d. Discussion and possible action regarding the Mayor's proposal for the Mobility/Transportation bond: Commissioners briefly talked about the initiative.
- e. Commissioner Tijerina moved to request for a modification to the Section 2-1-6 (E) of Austin City Code relating to quorum for Boards and Commissions, to achieve consistency with the Texas Open Meetings Act to allow Commissioners to participate in meetings through other means other than being present similar to the Austin Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (2013). Commissioner Jiménez seconded. Motion passed unanimous.
- f. Commissioner Tijerina moved to appoint himself as the representative from the H/LQOL Commission to engage with the MACC advisory board as needed. Vice-Chair Velasquez seconded. Motion passed unanimous. Chair Hernandez is the designated representative from the MACC board to engage with the H/LQOL Commission.

## 4. NEW BUSINESS

a. None

#### 5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Note: This section of the agenda gives the members an opportunity to request items for future agendas. By City ordinance, two board members are required to sponsor an item. Staff should assume that if there is no objection from other members expressed at the meeting, the members' silence indicates approval for staff to include on the next agenda.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice-Chair Velasquez motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:12pm, Commissioner Guerra seconded. Motion passed unanimous.

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