



**ASIAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017**

The Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at City Hall in Austin, Texas.

Chair Richard Jung called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Nu Chanpheng, Vince Cobalis, Catherina Conte, Debasree DasGupta, Janki DePalma, Richard Jung, Pramod Patil, Sonemaly Phrasavath, Kavita Radhakrishnan, Pooja Sethi, Kirk Yoshida.

Staff in Attendance: Rey Arellano, Joe Silva, Marion Sanchez, Ed Van Eeno, Stephanie Hayden, Dr. Philip Huang, Heather Cooks-Sinclair, Veena Viswanathan

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Esther Diaz invited members of the Commission to participate in a future Austin Area Translators & Interpreters Association (AATIA) meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The February 21, 2017 minutes were approved on a unanimous 11-0 vote. The approval was moved by Commissioner Janki and seconded by Vice-Chair Cobalis.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on AAQoL: Four different initiatives are being consolidated in report and a rough draft should be ready at the end of March.
- b. Working Group Reports;
 - i. **Asian American Resource Center (AARC):** Did not meet.
 - ii. **Arts and Culture:** Did not meet.
 - iii. **Budget and Business:** Will submit for distribution to the Commission the list of recommendation from the FY 16-17 Budget process and the annual report. Commissioners were encouraged to meet with their Council Member to discuss Commission activities and the FY1617 one-time funding.
 - iv. **Community Outreach:** Met with Marion Sanchez to review the report. Has completed the planning for community outreach and will begin work on a work plan.
 - v. **HR Diversity Issues:** Did not meet. Will submit the Career Fair flyer for distribution to Commissioners. May reschedule meeting day and time to accommodate Commissioner schedules.

vi. Health: New members are Commissioners Conte and Radhakrishnan.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Ed Van Eenoo, Budget Office, presented the process and deadline for the FY17-18 Budget
- b. Staff from the Austin Public Health Department presented select data for from the Travis County Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey for the years from 2011-2015.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Commissioner Jung asked Commissioner to meet with their Council Member to discuss one-time funding items before Council conducts their next Strategic Planning session. Commissioner Yoshida reviewed the 5-6 priority items from the larger list of AAQoLAC recommendations and agreed to submit for distribution the list of recommendations and the AAQoLAC annual report.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

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7. ADJOURN

Recommendation adjourning the meeting was approved. Chair Jung adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.