



Commission on Immigrant Affairs

**Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, April 10, 2017 6:30 PM
Dove Springs Recreation Center
5801 Ainez Dr., Austin, Texas, 78744**

Approved Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

The Commission on Immigrant Affairs convened in a regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 10, 2017 at Dove Springs Recreation Center, 5801 Ainez Dr. in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in Attendance:

Karen Crawford, <i>Chair</i>	Piper Nelson
Pedro Villalobos, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	Elisse Jean-Pierre
Samuel Adair	Nicole Merritt
Krystal Gomez	Glenn Rosales

Board Members not in Attendance:

Rosalia Austin
Walid Kobrosly

Staff in Attendance:

Connie H. Gonzales, Staff Liaison/APH
Adrienne Sturup, Executive Staff Liaison/APH

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Staff Liaison, Connie H. Gonzales called the Board Meeting to order at 6:36 pm
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION** - None
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** February, 2017
 - Commissioner Piper Nelson motioned to accept the minutes.
 - Commissioner Pedro Villalobos seconded the motion.
 - Approved on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Rosalia Austin and Walid Kobrosly absent.
- 4. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**
 - A. Election of Chair and Co-Chair**
 - Commissioner Pedro Villalobos nominated Commissioner Karen Crawford for Chair
 - Commissioner Glenn Rosales seconded the motion

- Commissioner Karen Crawford nominated Commissioner Pedro Villalobos for Vice-Chair
- Commissioner Piper Nelson seconded the motion
- Approved on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Rosalia Austin and Walid Kobrosly absent.
- 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. Jim Padilla, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.** – written report forthcoming
- C. Election representative for the Joint Inclusion Commission –**
 - Vice-Chair Pedro Villalobos nominated Commissioner Nicole Merritt
 - Commissioner Elisse Jean-Pierre seconded the motion
 - Commissioner Samuel Adair nominated Commissioner Krystal Gomez as the alternate SPOC
 - Commissioner Piper Nelson seconded the motion
 - Approved on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Rosalia Austin and Walid Kobrosly absent.
- D. Meeting with new Filed Office Director for USCIS–**
 - Commissioners Karen Crawford, Nicole Merritt, Glenn Rosales, Pedro Villalobos, Samuel Adair, and Krystal Gomez to attend.
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- 5. OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**
 - A. Municipal ID's**
 - Adrienne Sturup, Executive Liaison reminded the commissioners that the next step is for the City Manager to appoint a project administrator to conduct a feasibility study.
 - Board will revisit the wording of the initial resolution and possibly submit an updated one.
 - Vice-Chair Pedro Villalobos will draft a new resolution
- 6. STANDING ITEMS**
 - A. Welcoming City Workshops**
 - **Develop mission statement for work groups** Tabled
 - **Create a tracking list of ICE raid related issues to report to board**
 - Public Safety will keep up with this and report back
 - **Public Safety/Commissioner Karen Crawford:**
 - ACLU have a spin-off called 'People Power' and have been conducting meetings with police departments around the country
 - Austin Police Department is not asking about immigrant status
 - APD Asst. Chief Chacon will hold meeting on U Visa's on April 21st
 - Vice Chair, Pedro Villalobos nominated Chair, Karen Crawford as board representative
 - Commissioner Nicole Merritt seconded the motion
 - Approved on a 8-0 vote with Commissioners Rosalia Austin and Walid Kobrosly absent.
 - **Children in Schools: Commissioners Piper Nelson and Nicole Merritt**
 - Working on the mission statement–
 - Scheduling a meeting with David Coffman, the director of Migrant Bi-lingual Education
 - **Community Engagement:**
 - Commissioner Samuel Adair volunteered to join this workgroup
 - Commissioner Nicole Merritt encouraged everyone to join the Facebook page
 - **Legislative updates:**
 - Commissioner Krystal Gomez motioned to appoint a couple of board members to give updates

- Commissioner Karen seconded the motion
- Commissioner Krystal Gomez motioned to self-nominate as SPOC
- Commissioner Samuel Adair seconded the motion
- Approved on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Rosalia Austin and Walid Kobrosly absent
- B. Cities United for Immigration Action Update:** Tabled
- C. Joint Inclusion Commission Update:** next meeting on April 21st

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioner Piper Nelson to resign
- Health Equity Action Team's next meeting on April 21st at Street Jones Bldg. – Commissioner Samuel Adair volunteered to attend.
- NEXT meeting: May 8, 2017 at TBA
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8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

9. ADJOURNMENT

- Commissioner Karen Crawford motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:56 pm
- Commissioner Krystal Gomez seconded
- Approved on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Rosalia Austin and Walid Kobrosly absent

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