



**LGBTQ Quality of Life Advisory Commission
APPROVED MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, June 20, 2017**

The LGBTQ Quality of Life Advisory Commission convened for its first-ever regular meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, at Austin City Hall in Austin, Texas.

Staff Liaison Charles Loosen called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Awais Azhar, Kannou (Kimberly) Curette, Sandra Chavez, Victor Martinez, Paula Buls, Ruben Baeza, Kelly Estrella, Deirdre Doughty, Danielle Skidmore, Brandon Wollerson

Commissioners Absent: Tim Altanero

Staff in Attendance: Ray Baray, Sara Hensley, Charles Loosen

1. Citizen Communication

Tim Hamblin of the Austin History Museum spoke of the Museum's LGBTQ collection and encouraged Commissioners and members of the public to access and submit material to him for archiving.

Anna Nguyen of PFLAG spoke to the importance of diversity among appointees to the Commission.

Samantha Foss expressed interest in being nominated to one of four seats open on the Commission.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Commissioners introduced themselves.

b. Executive Sponsors and Staff Liaison introduced themselves.

c. Austin City Council Member Jimmy Flannigan (D6) spoke to the Commissioners regarding the Commission's purpose.

d-h. Boards and Commissions Coordinator, Deena Estrada, delivered a consolidated orientation to the Commissioners by presenting on Ordinance 2-1-106, nomination of four at large seats, the election of Officers, bylaws, and open meetings compliance. Commissioners discussed the process to review the current 47 applicants to the Commission's four vacant seats, and decided to assemble two working groups to divide the applicant pool. The working groups are organized by even and odd numbered districts. Commissioners from odd numbered districts will review applicants with last names 'A' through 'M' and Commissioners from even numbered districts will review applicants with last names 'N' through 'Z'.

i. Commissioner Martinez introduced proposed guidance to the City Manager Search Advisory Taskforce.

j. Commissioners discussed future meeting dates and decided to convene in one week on June 27, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Austin City Hall.

7. ADJOURN

Staff Liaison Charles Loosen adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m. without objection.