Assumptions: "Community" refers to the greater LGBTQIA community in the City of Austin; "LGBT" "GLBT" "LGBTQ" all refer to the same general group of people

- Community Agreements
  - o Agreements to ensure that everyone is treated with respect & is heard
    - Listen respectfully
    - Speak from your own experience using "I" statements
    - Challenge ideas; do not attack people
    - Do not assume someone's pronouns or identities
    - Share air time
    - Do not interrupt
    - Raise hand to speak
- People who should be included on the commission
  - o Energized people, people who active, engaged, and participatory
  - People of color
  - o People with lived experience
    - Homelessness, bullying, criminal history
  - Mix of subject experts
  - Parents of LGBTQ
  - Marginalized voices
  - Mental health experts
  - o YOUTH
    - To serve on a commission, a person must be 18 y/o
    - A possible way to get younger people involved in the commission is to have committees with younger people
  - Lobbyists/influencers
  - Doctors, experts on priorities
  - Community engagers
  - Clergy
  - o LGBTQ people
  - Elders
  - Business owners
  - HIV-affected
  - Substance-treatment community
  - Long-time Austin Resident (20+ years)
  - Long-term relationship/married LGBTQ people
  - LGBTQ Veteran
  - o Makeup of commission can change as priorities changed
  - LGBTQ advocates
  - Transgender
  - LGBTQ parents
  - Education community
  - Non-binary
- People who MUST be on the commission
  - Transgender people

- People of color
- Working class
- Disabled
- Straight person
- Non-binary
- Geographic representation
- Span of ages, young & old people
- City government/management experience
- High profile representative
- o Balanced & reflective of the LGBTQ community as a whole
- o Brave, doers, stakeholders
- o Immigrant
- Long-term Austinite (20+ years)
- How many people should be on the commission?
  - o 11 is the approved amount
  - o Consensus is 20 people, with a standard deviation of 3
    - The group liked an odd number of people in the commission for decisionmaking
  - Options for more community engagement
    - Create "Leadership Pipelines"
    - Workgroups
    - Committees
- The Commission is focusing on 5 areas on City Council's action agenda
  - o HEALTH
    - Visions & problem areas
      - EMS that understands LGBTQ community needs
      - Trained healthcare providers who are culturally competent with LGBTQ at ATCIC & psych emergency services
        - These people should be trained by competent providers
      - Resources to assist transgender people with getting gender reassignment surgery
        - o For example, a list of local surgeons
      - AISD to include transgender surgery for its employees & families
        - Surgery is currently excluded
      - Comprehensive transgender healthcare clinic
      - Trans health sensitivity
      - Transgender healthcare
      - Healthcare access for homeless LGBTQ & youth
      - Single Payer healthcare at local level in Austin
      - Access to affordable & culturally appropriate healthcare
      - Trainings for healthcare providers to deliver adequate & sensitive care
      - LGBTQ Training for healthcare providers
      - Providers are uneducated about LGBT health (3 other people agree with this by adding check marks next to this subject

- Many providers assume their patients are straight
- Encourage more medical professionals to provide high-quality LGBTspecific care
- Educate health professionals on dealing with trans people
- Isolation is a health issue for LGBTQ elders
- Services specifically for elderly & disabled LGBTQ people
- Wide-spread information on affordable, comprehensive HIV/STI testing
  - Accessibility to that testing
  - Streamlining testing & results
- Support for sex workers' health needs
- Broader/more persuasive STI & HIV information
- Comprehensive sex education in AISD
- PrEP
- Mental health needs are not addressed
- Stigmas around mental health
- Mental healthcare availability
- More options & locations for HIV & mental health support groups
- Listings of doctors/providers that deliver trans-related healthcare
- Transgender Health Initiative developed at the city-level
  - o For example, integrated into Central Health or CommUnity Care
- Healthcare clinic specialized for transgender care
- The LGBTQ community needs knowledge of competent mental & medical health professionals who treat/work with the transgender community
- Access for LGBTQ people to help understand loopholes in insurance/benefits for gender confirmation surgeries
- Lack of trans health services is a major issue in Austin
- Need for empathy & connection to help end addiction
- End meth
- The various volunteer organization devoted to LGBT health (ASA, Project Transitions, Prep Project, etc.) need to have services consolidated under city-funded umbrella
- Widely available resources for recommending LGBTQ-friendly doctors
- Network of LGBTQ-friendly mental health specialists
- Inclusive sex education
- Austin Prep Access clinic funding
- PrEP for anyone who needs it
- Universal HIV opt-out testing
- Reducing HIV stigma
- Reduction in HIV infection rate
- Sexual health awareness & education campaigns & program funding
- Unified HIV services

- Address the increasing STD rates (agreed with by two other check marks)
- Comprehensive/expanded HIV services throughout the community
- Sky-high STD infection rates among MSMs
- Transgender access to UIL sports
- Ryan White too little to too many organizations
- Survey study of current (LGBT) QOL so we can measure improvements
- Community Needs Assessment for LGBTQ community
- Racism's impact on sexual health/mental health
- Easier funding for nonprofits
- Reduce health disparities
- Health services beyond just HIV/STD testing
- Mobile clinics with a LGBT-focus
  - Mammograms, ObGyn, hormone access, counselors, check-ups, PCP
- Inclusive LGBT clinics
- "Twelfth Night" gender swap day
- More funding for the "Q" & and expansion of their efforts/funding
- LGBTQ health and wellness center
  - Medical, mental health, substance abuse, HIV/PrEP, etc.)
- LGBTQ Commission representation to push these agendas
  - Healthcare providers
  - Social worker
  - Mental health professional
  - Health expert who has worked in multiple areas of concern
    - o i.e. HIV/STD etc.
  - transgender people
  - LGBTQ therapist
  - Mental health resources
  - Doctors & nurses
  - HIV positive folks
  - Medical experts
  - Physician
  - UT med school
  - Youth/seniors
  - Data
  - Experience with issues around recovery of drug addiction
  - UT representation
  - Nurses
  - Healthcare workers
  - Healthcare administrators
  - Medical professionals
    - o Doctor, therapist, people already actively providing LGBT care

- Health disparity work experience
- HIV/STI program experience
- People who understand how to get demographic information
- Public health workers
- Educator of local HIV/STD Clinic or ASO
- Someone who is educated on PrEP
- Central Health
- Public health advocate for transgender health
- Women's health advocate
- Health & human services
- Nonprofit
- QPOC (Queer People of Color)
- TPOC (Trans People of Color)
- HIV nonprofits
- Patient fety expertise
- Someone who can represent broad interests
- LGBT mental health providers
- Gender confirmation surgeon
- Insurance/benefits manager or director
- Gender/sexual identity development psychotherapists
- Mental health & substance abuse expertise
- HIV nonprofits
- HIV/STI medical doctor
- People familiar with existing nonprofits that have health-related services

#### MOBILITY

- Visions/problem areas
  - Traffic
  - Pedestrian & cyclist safety improvements
  - Most LGBTQ resources are concentrated downtown without resources for people without cars or who do not live on bus lines
  - Better train access/more access to the city via train
  - Cycling safety
  - Expansion of metro rail
  - Scheduling of metro rides
  - Free shuttles to LGBTQ events & services
  - LGBTQ training for Cap Metro drivers
  - Mobile services to assist with:
    - HIV testing, etc.
    - o Financial services
    - Help fill out forms for services
    - o Internet help for applications
    - Trans health

- o Better rail within City of Austin
- Special transportation for people with HIV or disabled
- An actual workable transit system
- Betty system for movement of people
- o Bilingual & sign services
- Distribution of services to remote sites with info
  - For more environmentally friendliness
- Satellite LGBT access points
- A more walkable city
- Bring back Uber/Lyft
- Improved public transportation routing & options to increase access
- Increased accessibility for disabled folks
  - Unsure what all this looks like but some attention would be nice
- Expertise representation on the commission
  - TNC representation
  - Community planner
  - Knowledge of aging issues for LGBT community
  - o Environmental consultants/emissions experts
  - Sustainability expertise
  - GLBT rideshare driver
  - Futurist
  - QPOC/TPOC lived experiences
  - Community planner
  - Cap Metro LGBT leader
  - o Urban planner/traffic engineer
  - o Cap Metro
  - City planner
  - o Urban planner/designer
  - Rideshare partner
  - People who live & work in places without transportation infrastructure
  - People that use public transportation
  - o People who mainly bike or walk to get around

## SAFETY

- Problems/vision
  - Bathroom Bill
  - LGBTQ+ youth do not feel safe with police officers, they are unsure how police will react to their identities
  - LGBT hate crimes
  - Too much reliance on police to address safety concerns & problems
  - Defense against school "outing" bill
  - Policing including body policing

- Many single stall bathrooms in Austin are still gendered. Owners do not care & 3-1-1 does not respond
- Violence against transgender persons
- Defend in court local LGBT protections
- SB6; school safety for LGBTQ students safety in 4<sup>th</sup> Street area
- Vigilance of hate crimes
- No enforcement on already existing gender neutral, single-stall bathroom law
- Hostility & violence towards LGBTQ & people by general population
- Body shaming
- Continued presence and awareness by APD to patrol areas traditionally populated by LGBTQ businesses
- Bullying in school
- Respect for the fact that different communities view law enforcement differently & not always positively
- Police violence
- LGBTQ-specific homeless resources
- LGBTQ attacks
- Trans youth
- Guns & stand your ground
- Hate crimes, especially post-Trump
- Visions/Dreams
  - Safe after-hours on 4<sup>th</sup> Street
  - LGBTQ homeless youth shelter
  - Stronger hate crimes reporting
  - City support in fighting state & federal hateful bills/laws
    - o Fighting the bathroom bill
  - Queer assault/victim services
  - Police presence near 4<sup>th</sup> street
  - Police using proper pronouns/sensitivity training
  - Trans-specific protection bills
  - Anti-discrimination laws for trans bathroom use
  - All public safety officers (EMS, APD, Fire) understand the needs & vulnerabilities of the LGBTQ community
  - Hate crimes task force
  - A "safe-walk" like at UT for greater Austin
  - AISD protection & support for AISD students
  - Anti-bullying training in schools for teachers as well as students
  - Discrimination accountability of bathrooms complaint driven
  - Multi stall all-gender bathrooms with protection for trans people
  - 3-1-1 enforcement
- Expertise & enforcement
  - PTA

- Community leaders
- Homeless services
- Transgender person
- Experts that have lived experience in addressing the issues
- Someone who has lobbied or has legislative experience
- Lived experiences of the issues
- City planning
- Survivors
- LGBT police administrator
- Lobbyist
- Trainers for both police & community
- QPOC/TPOC lived experiences
- Trauma-informed care expertise
- LGBT police representative
- QPOC/TPOC
- Legal expertise
- Someone with a criminal record
- Sex worker
- Counselor/therapist specializing in LGBTQ issues
- Business owners
- Lawyers
- Grassroots organizers
- Parents & teachers
- Victim services workers

## CULTURAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- Problems/Needs
  - Lack of knowledge of cultural differences WRT gender
  - Everything is too white
  - Lack of services for homeless displaced youth & young adults
  - Trans awareness & visibility
  - Bi/pansexual erasure
  - Visibility! Gay & trans visibility
  - Representative programing TPOC
  - Lack of venues outside of bars for the communities
  - Drag artists to creatively spread their wings outside of drag shows
  - General lack of knowledge on all things trans & gender
  - Are LGBTQ+ issues & information available via 3-1-1
  - Eliminate mis-gendering: transgender awareness training for employers
    & employees who serve the public
  - Aging LGBTQ community
  - Racism, ableism, HIV stigma & other prejudices with LGBTQ communities

- Community building within LGBT community & between LGBT & larger community
- Central online source for city LGBT resources
- Mandatory anti-bullying training in AISD
- Visions/Dreams
  - Required LGBTQ cultural appropriateness training for all city staff yearly
  - LGBTQ community center
  - Facilitation of LGBTQ org coordination with one another
  - More affordable local theater spaces for theater companies
  - Affordable artist studio space
  - Development of a drag theater & history museum working with Austin International Drag Foundation
  - More intergenerational connectivity
  - TX UIL
  - LGBTQ history archives
  - Continued support for PRIDE celebration & festivities
  - K-12 support for children that may identify within the LGBTQ+ spectrum
  - Recruiting out of state candidates for work/UT schools
    - TX is not perceived as LGBT-friendly
  - Connection needs to be created between urban LGBT community & adjacent rural LGBT communities
  - Trans 101 seminar sponsored by city for local schools & businesses
  - Formal mechanism to welcome & orient young/rural LGBT people who move to Austin
    - Many with little prior LGBT experience or contact
  - Archive listening training to increase perspectives & connection
    - Restorative justice circling
  - Comprehensive training programs for allies focusing on marginalized members
  - Sex education
- Expertise/Experience
  - Low income folks
  - Working class backgrounds
  - Women
  - Queer ministry/clergy
  - Religious leaders
  - Parents of lgbtq people
  - Allies
  - Not allies
  - Community leaders
  - Lgbtq representative community volunteers/employees
  - Youth and seniors
  - Land owners

- Small business owners
- Healthcare providers
- Chamber of commerce
- Sex workers
- Artists
  - Visual
  - Performance
- LGBTQ minority people
- People of color
- Educators & activists
- Trans people of color
  - Specifically trans women of color
- Marginalized people
- Diverse populations
  - o Age
  - Gender
  - Orientation
  - o Race
- People of color with lived experiences
- Non-binary people
- Transgender people
- School board members
- Corporate trainer/educator
- LGBT archivist

# TRUSTWORTHY GOVERNMENT

- Problem/Needs
  - No political core in the LGBTQ community
  - Local citizens are unsure whether courts/judges are LGBTQ friendly
  - A streamlined & clear process for gender marker & name change in Travis County Courts
  - Worry about unsupportive atmosphere is new presidential administration trickling down
  - Police violence against people of color & sex workers, homeless, etc in the LGBTQ community
  - Bathroom bill
  - Treatment of trans population by law enforcement
  - A coordinated effort by Austin to work with other texas cities to fight transphobia in texas legislation
  - Coordination with local nonprofits
  - New admin support for conversion therapy
  - Improved awareness and connectivity to city resources such as this commission joint inclusion committee
  - Lack of equal treatment

- UIL does not allow trans kids to participate across TX
- Transparency
- LGBTQ community center
- Ensuring there is really representation of LGBTQ communities
- Equity office to take on LGBT needs & issues
- Vision/Dreams
  - LGBTQ community center with City of Austin support
  - Workplace/government education on LGBTQ issues
  - LGBTQ space in the new library
  - More grassroots/local
  - Organized advocacy efforts
  - Indivisible organizing so we always have presence
  - Fully inclusive gender identity policies & procedures across City of Austin government
  - A council that is eager & willing to make/take public stances on issues facing LGBTQ + communities
  - Gender friendly restrooms in public & municipal buildings
  - Local bathroom ordinance so people can just GO!
  - LGBTQ commission makes recommendations that are adopted & implemented
  - LGBTQ+ people power at City Hall
  - More LGBTQ representation in City of Austin government in general
  - School district that protects rights & safety of trans students
  - Intergovernmental connections with the state and an effective means to challenge state discriminatory laws
  - More LGBTQIA+ leaders/officials
- Expertise & Experience
  - Higher-up in AISD
  - Someone unafraid to ask difficult questions
  - equity officer
  - school board member
  - AISD representation
  - Obama's data initiative
  - Advocacy/lobbying experience
  - City of Austin's chief equity officer
  - Media savvy folks
  - Teachers & guidance counselors
  - Advocacy & campaign experience
  - QPOCs and TPOCs with lived experiences
  - Data analytics experts
  - Diversity trainer
  - Public policy

- Someone who has experience with coalition building in local governments
- Non-politicians
- Someone who is LGBTQ

## ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY & AFFORDABILITY

- Problems/Needs
  - Job access
  - Displacement of black communities
  - Lack of political center means a community center is a necessity
  - Educating local businesses on how to deal with trans people
  - Discrimination against treatment of gender confirmation procedures by health insurance companies
  - Lack of affordable housing for HIV + persons
  - Discrimination in the workplace
  - Homelessness, esp among LGBT young people
  - Housing discrimination
  - Atmosphere of discrimination & hatred in highest levels of government
  - Gentrification
  - Aging LGBTQ community facilities for care, affordable
  - Small neighborhood gay bars (traditional places for community) cannot startup due to high cost & regulatory barriers
  - Homelessness & lack of safe havens for abused or low-income refugees
  - Anti-LGBT state for businesses and getting worse
  - LGBTQ elders disproportionally disadvantaged
- Vision/Dreams
  - Tenants rights focused on LGBTQ population
  - One group/organization that can refer LGBTQ+ people to all the resources
  - Nonprofit organizations have to offer
  - Requiring equal opportunity employment at any business or agency COA contracts with
  - Community center to assist nonprofits providing services to LGBTQ
  - Affordable housing
  - Anti-discrimination rewarded
  - Queer cops
  - Less rigid gender norms in the workplace
  - Income based housing
  - Living wage
  - Job placement services
  - LGBT job training
  - LGBT business included in city studies & reports
  - Equal treatment in employment & elimination of discrimination
  - Affordable housing for HIV+ persons with criminal records

- Affordable housing in general, and easier access to the housing
- Potentially boycott post SB6
- LGBT business enterprise inclusion by government. Certification denotes an LGBT owned &/or operated business
- Living wage
- Basic guaranteed income research/pilot in Austin
- Rent control
- Mentoring programs by professionals for LGBTQ youth
- Social & cultural events for older LGBTQs at City of Austin sponsored or no/low cost
- LGBTQ friendly affordable assisted living for seniors

# Expertise/Opportunities

- Senior citizens
- Expertise & experience in dealing with homelessness & lgbt youth issues
- LGBT chamber of commerce
- Democratic/socialist background
- Developers & builders & architects
- LGBTQ employment lawyer
- Someone in homeless or homeless advocacy community
- Housing experts
- Economic development
- Workforce development
- Affordable housing consultant
- Community members
- Lawyers & business owners
- Affordable housing advocate
- Economist specializing in LGBT
- Tech industry LGBTQ+
- Tech sector representatives
- Non-tech industry
- Austin tenant's council
- Gay business owners
- Someone with housing rights experience
- QPOC/TPOC lived experiences
- Economic justice advocacy

# MISCELANIOUS

- Problems/needs
  - Demographics
    - What does our community look like?
    - How many identify as LGBTQ+
    - What do we look like?
    - Filling the gaps in gay/queer socialization & dating
    - Legal

- LGBT adoption protections
- Need assistance with legal process for minors
  - Legal name change and gender marker change
- Politics
  - Turn TX blue
  - Anti-lgbtq state & national leaders
- Info sharing
  - Need for a centralized source of information from LGBTQ+ organizations in central TX
  - More publicity of events like this
  - Lack of black people & other people of color at this meeting
  - LGBTQ+ community center with available space for both personal & community use or events
  - Need for a clearing house for information about services and programs available in the community
    - Lots available but hard to sort thru
    - Need centralization
- Vision/dreams
  - o SPACE
    - Rainbow crosswalks in warehouse district
    - New central library with large section/resources/books/space dedicated to LGBT community
    - City funding for human services to the LGBTQ community specifically
      - Identify & shore up existing resources that are underfunded
    - Explicitly queer hang out spaces that are community oriented rather than alcohol or hook up oriented
      - Like coffee shops, bookstores
  - ABILITY TO SELF IDENTIFY
    - Add a 3<sup>rd</sup> gender category when sex/gender is absolutely necessary
      - i.e. medical forms
    - remove sex/gender on forms except when there is a very good reason
      - add a non-binary option?
    - Protection of trans rights in City of Austin
    - Retirement home/housing development
- Expertise/opportunities
  - o Prominent LGBT community & charity & arts contribution
  - Someone who can see beyond their own issues/demographics to represent everyone

- o Artists
- o Empathetic people
- Private citizens chosen by community to act as leaders/representatives
- o Someone with lgbt long term relationship experience
- o Leadership in public speaking
- Architect and developers
- IT/web types for online info repository
- City demographer
- o City mgmt. experience
- Parents of gay youth
- People who know about the issues of the vulnerable lgbtq elders
- Youth & senior representation
- o College lgbtq org reps
- o Transgender, gender non-binary people
- o TPOC/QPOC
- People of color
- Veterans
- Business, communications/marketing
- Mental health experts
- Attorney
- o Attorney with transgender & Igbq legal experience
- o How boards & commissions operate