



**COMMISSION ON VETERANS AFFAIRS
REGULAR MEETING**

**Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
301 West Second Street
City Hall Bull Pen Room 1029
Austin, TX 78701**

AGENDA

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Jason Denny (Chair) Ann Kitchen: District 5 Josephine Hinds – Jimmy Flannigan: District 6
Pete Salazar (Vice Chair) Leslie Pool: District 7 Manuel Jimenez – Sabino Renteria: District 3
Daarel Burnette – Mayor Steve Adler Adrenne Mendoza – Delia Garza: District 2
Chris Ehlinger – Alison Alter: District 10 Molly Potter – Greg Casar: District 4
Zach Goldstein – Kathie Tovo: District 9 David Thomas – Ora Houston: District 1
Phillip Gutierrez – Ellen Troxclair: District 8

CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address items not posted on the agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the minutes from the Commission on Veterans Affairs regular meeting on March 21, 2018.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Update on the SDVBE Program run by the City of Austin Purchasing Department from Yolanda Miller (To be presented after call to order and prior to any other agenda items)
- b) Update on Veterans Pavilion by Stephen Sonnenberg and his team and possible action/recommendation of support from the Veterans Commission regarding this initiative.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Discussion/vote regarding the creation of Working Groups and Commissioners involved. – Chairman Denny
 - a. Veteran Resource Center – Commissioner Potter
 - b. Municipal Veterans Court – Commissioner Jimenez
 - c. Veterans Park – Commissioner Ehlinger
- b) Discussion/vote regarding the possible action/resolution regarding veteran profiling by local citizen. – Commissioner Jimenez
- c) Discussion/vote regarding the possible action/recommendation to supporting AVAFEST organized by Glenn Towery. – Commissioner Salazar
- d) Discussion regarding the Boards and Commissions Participation in the FY 2018-19 Budget Process Memorandum received by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer to all Commission chairs. – Chairman Denny

5. STAFF BRIEFING

- a. Presentation of Veteran Resource Center from the Human Resources Department Staff.
- b. Memorial Day Ceremony remembering Robert Barnett (Vietnam) on May 24th at City Hall at 10AM
- c. Commission on Veteran Affairs Annual End of year report
- d. Commissioner's training on Parliamentary Procedures and the Texas Open Meetings Act (video)

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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Please call Allen Bergeron at the Veterans Program Department at 512-974-3459 or Allen.Bergeron@austintexas.gov for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711.

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