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SPECIAL CALLED MEETING June 3, 2018

The Commission on Veteran Affairs convened in a special called meeting on June 3, 2018 at American Legion Post 76 located on 404 Atlanta St, Austin Texas 78703.

Chair Jason Denny called the Board Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Jason Denny - Chair Phillip Gutierres
Pete Salazar- Vice Chair Manuel Jimenez
Daarel Burnette Adrenne Mendoza
Chris Ehlinger Molly Potter
Zach Goldstein Dave Thomas

Staff in Attendance: Karen Haywood, Allen Bergeron, Tina Lee

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Chair Denny asked the Commission members to review the minutes from the regular meeting on May 16, 2018. Commissioner Darryl Burnette made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes and Commissioner Chris Ehlinger seconded the motion. Motion passed with no objection.

2. BUSINESS

- Commissioner Molly Potter presented discussed current Veteran Resource Center budget recommendations to be submitted to the City of Austin Budget office.
 - o The commissioners shared their input and provided their additions for the final draft
 - O Commissioner Molly Potter made a motion to approve the amount of \$850,000 for the next five years for the veteran resource center and to move forward with what was recommended by the commissioners in the meeting to be included on the final budget resolution.
 - Commissioner Dave Thomas seconded the motion
 - The recommendations for the budget resolution was approved on an 8-1-1 vote. Those members voting aye were: Board Members Chair Jason Denny, Commissioners Pete Salazar, Daarel Burnette, Chris Ehlinger, Zach Goldstein, Manuel Jimenez, Adrenne Mendoza, and Dave Thomas. Those voting nay were: Commissioner Phillip Gutierres and Board

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member Molly Potter recused herself from the vote due to writing the original draft and final recommendations.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS

• N/A (No public hearings during this meeting)

4. STAFF UPDATES

5. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

• Gene Vela with Austin Veterans United addressed the commission regarding the Veteran Resource Center and the Veteran's needs and recommendations

ADJOURN: Jason Denny adjourned the meeting at 5:13PM. Without objection