

# REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 6:30pm Mexican American Cultural Resource Center 600 River Street Austin, Texas 78701

## **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

Jill Ramirez, Chair Carmen Llanes Pulido, Vice-Chair Cristina Adams Jovita Flay Rodolfo Jiménez Zaira Garcia Isabel López-Aguilar Dianna Velasquez Emilio Zamora

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

Citizens wishing to speak on agenda and non-agenda related items must sign up at least ten minutes before the meeting is called to order. Citizens may speak on non-agenda items under the Citizens Communications section of the agenda. Citizens may speak on an agenda related item after a presentation on the item has been made. Citizens may not speak after City staff presentations. Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns. Boards and Commissions follow the same rules as City Council meetings.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Chair Ramirez at 6:33 p.m.

#### **Board Members in Attendance:**

Chair Ramirez, Vice-Chair, Carmen Llanes Pulido, Isabel López-Aguilar, Jovita Flay, Christina Adams, Emilio Zamora, Ricardo Maga-Rojas

## **Staff in Attendance:**

Ray Baray, Chief of Staff, Brion Oaks, Chief Equity Officer, Marion Sanchez, Community Engagement Manager and Staff Liaison, Stephanie Hayden, Austin Public Health Director

## 1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. Isaack Rosales, Foundation Communities
- b. Victor Azurim, Personal Story
- c. Early Tubares, Personal Story
- d. Walter Moreou, Personal Story
- e. Ivan Davila, Central Health
- f. Sylvia Orozco, MexicArte

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Motion by Commissioner Llanes Pulido to approve the minutes as amended from the regularly scheduled December 13, 2017 meeting and to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled March 20, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar. Motion passed unanimously.

## **3. COMMUNITY BRIEFING** (5 minute presentation, 5 minute question and answer)

- a. Dr. Mini Kahlon from the University of Texas Medical School presented regarding the community impact of the Dell Medical School.
- b. Univision representatives were not present. Presentation moved to next regular meeting.
- c. Susanna Almanza and Dr. Fred McGee presentation the People's Plan, which is a six-part plan to fight gentrification and displacement in East Austin.
- d. Presentation from Gilbert Rivera regarding the mural at Gilberto's Restaurant

# **4. STAFF BRIEFING** (5 minute presentation, 5 minute question and answer)

- a. Brion Oaks, Equity Officer provided an update on the Equity Office activities.
- b. Stephanie Hayden, Director of Austin Public Health, provided an update on Austin Public Health activities, including chronic disease and other health activities targeting the Latino community and funding earmarked for Latino community activities.
- c. Marion Sanchez, Community Engagement Division Manager provided an update on the Community Journalist Conference on April 30<sup>th</sup> at the New Central Library.

## 5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. No discussion or action.
- b. No discussion or action.
- c. Report, discussion and possible action regarding working groups and assignments:
  - Public participation, transparency, and awareness work group: No report
  - Economic Development and Access to Affordable Housing in Latino Communities work group: No report
  - Health work group: No report
  - Representative to Joint Inclusion Committee: No report
  - Representatives to Commission on Seniors: No report
  - Budget and Policy Priorities work group
    - o Citizen Communications:
      - Gilbert Rivera provided an update on funding and budget requests related to Arts and Culture.
      - David Santos requested demographics equity of funding
      - Aida Cerda requested funding related to a community engagement specialist for the Restore Rundberg project area.
    - Motion by Commissioner Llanes Pulido to hold a special called meeting on May 15, 2018 at 6pm. Seconded by Commissioner Lopez Aguilar. Motion passed unanimously.
  - Education work group: No report
  - Representative to MACC board: No report
  - Representatives to CodeNEXT: No report

- QOL Representatives: No report
- Equity Office: Discussion regarding mini grants and budget framework
- Representative Artist Access Program: No report

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Motion by Commissioner Maga-Rojas to select Commissioner Llanes Pulido to attend the Community Journalist Conference on behalf of the Commission. Second by Commissioner Lopez Aguilar. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. No discussion or action occurred.
- c. No discussion or action occurred.
- d. Commissioner Llanes Pulido made a motion to officially endorse via a recommendation to the City Council that they take action to adopt the six resolutions in the People's Plan for Anti-Displacement. Seconded by Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Discussion regarding a Raul Valdez mural that stood in the parking lot of Gilberto's Restaurant on Cesar Chavez.
- f. Commissioner Ramirez volunteered to work on a recommendation on behalf of the Commission supporting the bond funding requests that were submitted to the Bond Election Advisory Task Force and the Austin City Council for \$15 million in infrastructure/facility improvements at the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center and \$15 million in infrastructure/facility improvements at the Mexic-Arte Museum. This item was previously approved at the March 20, 2018 meeting.
- d. On May 3, 2018, there will be a meeting for parents and educations to discuss closing of schools. This will be held at the MACC at 5:30 p.m.

## 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Note: This section of the agenda gives the members an opportunity to request items for future agendas. By City ordinance, two board members are required to sponsor an item. Staff should assume that if there is no objection from other members expressed at the meeting, the members' silence indicates approval for staff to include on the next agenda.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Lopez Aguilar moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. Commissioner Maga Rojas seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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