



## **Commission on Immigrant Affairs**

**Regular Monthly Meeting**  
**Monday, August 13, 2018 6:30 PM**  
**Austin City Hall, Staff Bullpen Room #1029**  
**301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas 78701**

### ***Approved Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes***

***The Commission on Immigrant Affairs convened in a regular monthly meeting on Monday, August 13, 2018 at Austin City Hall, Staff Bullpen room #1029, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas 78702***

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

Karen Crawford, <i>Chair</i>	Elisse Jean-Pierre	Aditya Rastogi	Nasario Jaimes
Adrian De La Rosa	Walid Kobrosly	Glenn Rosales	
Montserrat Garibay	Nicole Merritt	Pedro Villalobos	

#### **Board Members not in Attendance:**

Krystal Gomez, *Vice-Chair*  
Samuel Adair

#### **Staff in Attendance:**

Connie H. Gonzales, Staff Liaison/APH  
Darrell Barnett, Executive Staff Liaison/APH

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Karen called to order at 6:51pm
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION** –None
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** June 2018
  - Pedro motioned to accept the minutes
  - Glenn seconded the motion.
  - Approved on 9-0 vote with Krystal and Sam absent
- 4. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**
  - A. Presentation from Brie Franco, City of Austin Intergovernmental Relations Officer, on the city's state legislative agenda** - (written report forthcoming)
  - B. Presentation from Lora Petty, American Gateways, regarding City of Austin budgeting for legal services** - (written report forthcoming)
  - C. Guest speakers for next meeting**
    - Chris Riley of Austin Public Health, briefing on department budget

- Austin Tenants Council in October
- Leonor Vasquez, Austin Independent School District, will invite.

**D. City Council resolution on Office of Immigrant Affairs and citizenship fairs – update and next steps**

**5. OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

**A. Draft of updated By-Laws draft – Krystal – Postponed until next meeting**

**B. Newsletter update – Elisse**

- Still working on accessing the old newsletters from prior commissioners, and would send out a request for articles

**6. STANDING ITEMS**

**A. Welcoming City Workgroups**

**1. Affordable Housing – Walid and Elisse:**

- Walid gave an update of all the work they have done and will forward a written report. He will attend a meeting where multiple agencies will attend.

**2. Children in Schools –Montserrat, Krystal and Glenn: No update**

**3. Civic Engagement – Elisse, Nicole, Samuel, and Nasario:**

- Identified ACLU, Leadership Austin, New American Leaders, and JOLT as organizations to contact

**4. Public Safety - Karen, Pedro, Abby, Aditya, Montserrat, and Krystal: No update**

**5. Immigrant Heritage Festival – Elisse, Sam, Nicole, Krystal, and Karen:**

- Will contact APH to coordinate

**6. Budget – Nicole, Elisse, Krystal, Glenn, and Aditya, Nasario – No update**

**7. Welcoming City Office – Nasario, Elisse, and Karen – No update**

**B. Cities United for Immigration Action Update: No update**

**C. Joint Inclusion Commission Update: Immigrant Affairs isn't a Quality of Life Commission. Nasario reviewed the budget items that the commission is discussing.**

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commission on Immigrant Affairs Annual Report has been submitted**

**8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM: Public Charge Rules**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

- Karen adjourned meeting at 8:11 pm

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