



**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF
LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION**
Tuesday, February 26, 2019 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

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Cristina M. Adams

Draft Minutes

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CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Ramirez at 6:32 pm.

Board Members in Attendance: *Chair Jill Ramirez, Vice-Chair Carmen Llanes-Pulido, Isabel Lopez-Aguilar, Maria C. Solis, Cristina M. Adams, Jovita Flay*

Staff in Attendance: *Veronica Briseño, Director, Small & Minority Business; Edward Campos, Assistant Director, Small & Minority Business; Blender Hill, Outreach Coordinator, Small & Minority Business; Farah Muscadin, Police Monitor, Office of Police Oversight; Geno Rodriguez, Community Engagement, Office of Police Oversight; Keisha Gillis, Community Engagement, Office of Police Oversight; Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager, Economic Development; Erica Shamaly, Music & Entertainment Division Manager, Economic Development; Kimberly McCarson, Economic & Business Liaison, Economic Development.*

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. Laura Donnelly, Founder, Latinitas; provided update on organization and requested funding support.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- b. Motion by Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar to accept the January 22 meeting minutes. Second by Commissioner Adams. Motion passed unanimously.

3. COMMUNITY BRIEFING

- a. None

4. STAFF BRIEFING

- a. Update on the Minority Business Enterprises (MBE)/Women Business Enterprises (WBE) *Corridor Mobility Program Outreach Plan*, Veronica Briseño, Director, Small & Minority Business; and Cloteal Davis Haynes, Haynes Eaglin & Waters.
- b. Update on Office of Police Oversight, Farah Muscadin, Police Monitor, Office of Police Oversight. Community engagement team has offered to provide regular updates.
- c. Update on Art Space Assistance Program (renamed Creative Space Assistance Program), Meghan Wells, Cultural Arts Division Manager, Economic Development; Erica Shamaly, Music & Entertainment Division Manager, Economic Development; and Kimberly McCarson, Economic & Business Liaison, Economic Development. The total budget for this program is approximately \$750K.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible actions regarding commission budget requests for the FY2019-2020 budget adoption process and community input forum on March 23, 2019. *No action taken.*
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding a special called meeting in April for discussion on budget recommendations. *Commission requests a special called meeting for April 16.*

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Report, discussion and possible action regarding working groups and commissioners' assignments:
 - i. Public participation, transparency, and awareness work group: no update provided
 - ii. Economic Development and Access to Affordable Housing in Latino Communities work group: no update provided
 - iii. Health work group: no update provided
 - iv. Representatives to Joint Inclusion Committee: Commissioners Llanes-Pulido and Commissioner Solis provided update on JIC retreat on February 9.
 - v. Representatives to Commission on Seniors: no update provided.
 - vi. Budget and Policy Priorities work group: Commissioner Llanes-Pulido and Commissioner Solis provided update on Budget Office's proposed agenda for budget engagement on March 23.
 - vii. Education work group: no updated provided.
 - viii. Representatives to MACC board: no updated provided
 - ix. Representatives to the Equity Office: no update provided
 - x. Representatives to the Artist Access Program: Chair Ramirez attended the first meeting, a panel on community engagement.

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.

- a. Discussion and possible actions regarding commission budget requests incorporating feedback from March 23 community forum.
- b. Commission requests Budget Office to present at next regularly scheduled meeting on March 26.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lopez-Aguilar moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Second by Commissioner Adams. Motion passed unanimously.

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