



**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE  
RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 6:30pm  
City Hall, Room 1029 Staff Bullpen  
301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Austin, Texas 78701**

**CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

*Jill Ramirez, Chair*

*Carmen Llanes Pulido, Vice-Chair*

*Isabel López-Aguilar*

*Angelica Erazo*

*Diana Salas*

*Amanda Afifi*

*Zaira R. Garcia*

*Maria C. Solis*

*Jovita J. Flay*

*Rodolfo Jiménez*

*Cristina M. Adams*

**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 Vice Chair Llanes-Pulido at 6:33 pm.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Vice Chair Carmen Llanes-Pulido, Amanda Afifi, Maria C. Solis, Rodolfo Jimenez, Cristina M. Adams, Angelica Erazo, Jovita Flay

**1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

Dr. Rhonda Patrick

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. Postponed until April 23 meeting

**3. COMMUNITY BRIEFING**

a. None

**4. STAFF BRIEFING**

a. None

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

Report, discussion and possible action regarding working groups and commissioners' assignments:

- a. Public participation, transparency, and awareness work group: No update provided.
- b. Economic Development and Access to Affordable Housing in Latino Communities work group: No update provided.
- c. Health work group: No update provided.
- d. Representatives to Joint Inclusion Committee: Vice Chair Llanes-Pulido requested that the social services contract items be posted to a future agenda.
- e. Representatives to Commission on Seniors: A request was made to add Jovita Flay and Cristina Adams to the Commission on Seniors Work Group.
- f. Budget and Policy Priorities work group: Vice Chair Llanes-Pulido provided an update regarding the budget process and moved to approve the policy recommendations to council. Commissioner Jimenez motioned to approve the policy recommendations go to council, Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- g. Education work group: No update provided.
- h. Representatives to MACC board: No update provided.
- i. Representatives to the Equity Office: Mini grants and budget framework: No update provided.
- j. Representatives to the Artist Access Program: Discussion was conducted regarding the name of the Artist Access Program.

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Report, discussion and possible action regarding the Commission's FY2019-2020 budget priorities and recommendations.

Commissioner Jimenez moved to approve a recommendation of \$120K towards STEAM and digital media programming for young Latinas. Commissioner Ezazo seconded. Motion was approved unanimously on a 7-0 vote.

Commissioner Llanes-Pulido moved to approve a recommendation of \$100K for the Viva la Vida Festival over the course of the next 4 years. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion was approved unanimously on a 7-0 vote.

Commissioner Flay moved to approve a recommendation of \$210K to support a sobering center's efforts in substance use intervention, particularly for Latinos. Commissioner Afifi seconded. Motion was approved unanimously on a 7-0 vote.

Commissioner Solis moved to approve a recommendation of \$250K for free sickle cell trait testing and multilingual education about Sickle Cell Disease. Commissioner Flay seconded. Motion was approved unanimously on a 7-0 vote.

Commissioner Solis moved to allow the Budget and Policies priorities work group to submit recommendation forms of the Commission's recommendation

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approvals. Commissioner Flay seconded. Motion was approved unanimously on  
a 7-0 vote.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

It was requested to add an Elections item to a future agenda.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Adams moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm. Commissioner Jimenez seconded.  
Motion passed unanimously on a 7-0 vote.

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