



## Commission on Immigrant Affairs

Recommendation Number: 20190429-5AV: Immigrant Heritage Festival

### **Brief Title**

Immigrant Heritage Festival hosted by Commission on Immigrant Affairs

### **Describe the Issue**

The Commission on Immigrant Affairs would like to host an Immigrant Heritage Festival. This will be a free, family-fun cultural event. It will honor the experiences and contributions of immigrants in Austin and will feature speakers and activities that highlight programs and services in our city that assist immigrants feel welcome and valued. It is also intended to build cross-cultural understanding between members of our diverse community.

### **Data**

Austin city residents have expressed a desire to participate in an immigration focused event bringing the various immigrant communities together. We have heard from them both at our meetings and through budget forums.

### **Recommendation to Address Issue (increase efficiency, effectiveness, and equity):**

We are seeking at least \$10,000 to cover expenses of this event including: food, space, awards, marketing and outreach, event promotion, performers and entertainment, informational literature, other associated fees.

### **Strategic Outcome areas addressed by our recommendation:**

#### **Strategic Outcome 1:**

- Government that Works for All
  - Satisfaction with City Services
  - Public Engagement and Participation
  - Equity of City Programs and Resource Allocation

#### **Strategic Outcome 2:**

- Cultural and Lifelong Learning

Appreciation, respect, and welcoming of all people and cultures

Date of Approval: 4/29/19

Record of the vote: Unanimous on a 9-0 vote, Samuel Adair, Walid Kobrosly, and Nasario Jaimes not present

Attest: Connie H. Gonzales