



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

**Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at
6:30pm**

**Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center
600 River Street
Austin, Texas 78701**

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

*Angelica Erazo, Vice-Chair
Diana Salas
Amanda Afifi
Zaira Garcia
Maria C. Solis*

*Jovita J. Flay
Melissa Ayala
Felicia Peña
Ricardo Garay*

Draft Minutes

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CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Angelica Erazo at 6:35 pm.

Board Members in Attendance: Vice Chair Angelica Erazo, Amanda Afifi, Zaira R. Garcia, Maria C. Solis, Melissa Ayala, Felicia Peña, Ricardo Garay, Jovita Flay, Diana Salas

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. Sandra De Leon – President, Rainey Street Neighborhood Association

2. MOTION TO SUSPEND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

- a. Commissioner Afifi moved to suspend Robert's Rules of Order. Commissioner Solis seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Commissioner Solis moved to approve the August 27 minutes. Commissioner Flay seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. COMMUNITY BRIEFING

- a. Meredith Bossin – Waterloo Greenway project overview and new branding; request

5. STAFF BRIEFING

- a. None.

6. OLD BUSINESS

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

- a. Economic Development, Land Development, and Access to Affordable Housing work group: Vice-Chair Erazo to send land development code information to Commissioner Garcia
- b. Health work group: Ricardo Garay to be added to group.
- c. Representatives to Joint Inclusion Committee: Commissioner Solis is reviewing equity mini-grant applications
- d. Representatives to Commission on Seniors: Commissioner Solis, no update.
- e. Budget and Policy Priorities work group: No update.
- f. Representatives to MACC board and business: Update on MACC bond to be given in Fall.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding Commission elections
 - Commissioner Peña motioned to reinstate Robert's Rules of Order for a vote. Commissioner Salas seconded. Commissioner Flay moved to nominate Vice-Chair Erazo for Chair. Commissioner Erazo declined. Vice Chair Erazo moved to nominate Commissioner Afifi for Chair. Commissioner Solis seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Solis moved to nominate Commissioner Erazo as Vice Chair. Commissioner Salas seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding potential meeting with Austin Police Department.
 - Vice-Chair Erazo moved to call a special called meeting on November 16 with Austin Police Department & Office of Police Oversight, as well as Chairs from other Commissioners and local organizations. Commissioner Solis seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. Discussion and possible action regarding by-law changes to Commission name to recognize the more inclusive term 'Latinx.'
 - Commissioner Solis moved to table this item for October meeting, to allow Commissioners more time to research. Chair Afifi seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. Discussion and possible action regarding awards and recognition of long standing Latinx family-owned businesses and civic contributors.
 - Commissioner Ayala moved to table this item for October meeting to allow Commissioners time to consider this item further. Commissioner Garcia seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Homeless Strategy Officer to be invited this fall.

- b. Housing Authority of City of Austin (HACA) to be invited this fall.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Erazo adjourns the meeting at 7:50 pm.

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