



Commission on Immigrant Affairs

**Regular Monthly Meeting
December 2, 2019 6:30 PM
City Hall, Council Chambers
301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701**

Approved Meeting Minutes

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – August 2019, September 2019, and November 2019
Casar – typo needs to be corrected in all meeting minutes presented.
November – Hispanic Quality of life motion -state commission 1 for absent number
Nicole moved, Kate approved reviewal of minutes.

3. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS:

- A. Census 2020 Presentation by David P. Kurtenbach on the importance of including the immigrant population in the Census count.
- Goal is to get an accurate count of the people. This year, operations will be improved through geospatial technology and mobile application.
 - Four ways to respond: Secure internet, phone, mail, and in-person interview. Community members would call the Census, the Census is not calling people.
 - April 1st is Census day. Where individuals reside in on this day will be counted.
 - 13 languages available by phone. Data is secured and safe, will not be compromised.
 - Call to action – partnership with the Census, disburse marketing material, involvement in local efforts and the CCC, SB22 legislation response.
 - The ROAM – tool that breaks down low response rate by census tract. Tool can be used to strategize outreach efforts. David will share link to the tool by email.
 - Online data portal for marketing materials will be shared to the commissioner
- B. Safe Cities Conference report out by Kate
- Family emergency. Kate not able to attend and report.
- C. 2-1-26 – Attendance Requirements Review
- Policy was reviewed and received. Karen requested commissioners to respond to calendar invites.
- D. Confirm attendance from October 7th 's meeting
- Quorum was met

4. OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS:

- A. Update on Equity Office projects (immigrant affairs officer, municipal ID feasibility study)
- a. Officer – Working group met and submitted recommendations on job position. HR has agreed with recommendations and has decided to rearrange position title
 - b. Municipal ID Feasibility Study – with public health? Equity Office is unsure and will find out more about the transition. Karen will provide updates once known.



- B. Discussion of N-648/Community Care issue
 - a. Karen spoke with Stephanie Hayden who gave a contact. Karen will follow up.
- C. Report back from Hispanic Latino Quality of Life APD forum
 - a. Glenn attended and represented the commission. Forum did not follow Robert's Order Rule. Presentation by the Office of Police Oversight – Working on policies and procedures regarding use of force, especially in immigrant communities and the Black community. Working on obtaining a Spanish- Speaking Complaint staff
- D. Budget - report from retreat and formation of budget workgroup.

5. STANDING ITEMS: Discussion and Possible Action

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Reach out and connect with Juan Vences-Benítez, new commission member.

7. TASKS FOR NEXT MEETING

- A. Karen will follow up with joint committee about obtaining census materials for the budget forum.
- B. Working group will coordinate
- C. Staff liaison will confirm room reservations for 2020

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Quality of Life and Budget
- B. Update on Equity Office Project

9. ADJOURNMENT

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