



**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION**
Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 6:30pm
Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center
600 River Street
Austin, Texas 78701

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Amanda Afifi, Chair

Angelica Erazo, Vice-Chair

Diana Salas

Melissa Ayala

Zaira R. Garcia

Maria C. Solis

Jovita J. Flay

Felicia Peña

Ricardo Garay

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 – Chair Afifi called the meeting to order at 6:40pm.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Amanda Afifi, Maria C. Solis, Melissa Ayala, Felicia Peña, Ricardo Garay, Jovita Flay

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- a. Andiashia Hodge – Encouraged community input on revised Land Development Code and attendance at Special Called Meeting on Nov. 16 with APD.
- b. Meredith Powell – Announcement of EastLink Trail community engagement events in November
- c. Miriam Connor – African American Resource Advisory Commission; encouragement to work together on issues related to SD2023.

2. MOTION TO SUSPEND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Commissioner Peña moved to approve minutes from September 24 meeting. Commission Solis seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. COMMUNITY BRIEFING

Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Ivanna Neri – Family Independence Initiative

5. STAFF BRIEFING

Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Chief Rob Vires and Aaron Woolverton – Response times in Districts 1-4 and de-escalation training, Austin Fire Department
- b. Dr. Andrew Springer – Community Health Assessment in Del Valle and Montopolis, UT Health Sciences School and Austin Public Health

6. OLD BUSINESS

Report and discussion regarding working groups and commissioners' assignments:

- a. Economic Development and Access to Affordable Housing work group (Commissioners Erazo and Garcia) – no update
- b. Health work group (Commissioner Garay) – no update
- c. Representatives to Joint Inclusion Committee (Commissioners Solis and Afifi)
 - i. Question was raised as to whether HLQOL should have a representative to the African American Quality of Life Commission.
- d. Representatives to Commission on Seniors (Commissioner Solis) – no update
- e. Budget and Policy Priorities work group (Chair Afifi and Vice-Chair Erazo)
 - i. Budget Working Group to meet November 9.
- f. Representatives to MACC board and business (Vice-Chair Erazo) – no update

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Update, discussion, and possible action regarding by-law changes to Commission name to recognize more inclusive term 'Latinx'
 - i. No action. Add to future agenda when more Commissioners are present to discuss.
- b. Update, discussion, and possible action regarding awards and recognition of Latinx civic contributors
 - i. Will not be moving forward.
- c. Update, discussion, and possible action regarding November 16 meeting with Austin Police Department
 - i. Chair Afifi and Vice-Chair Erazo to meet to finalize agenda and secure community participation.
- d. Discussion and possible action relating to Land Development Code revisions
 - i. Staff liaison to share maps with proposed code changes and invite LDC team to present at future meeting.

- e. Discussion and possible action regarding 2020 Commission meeting dates
 - i. Postponed to November meeting.

8. Future Agenda Items

- a. Briefing from Austin Public Library on after school programs and adult classes in predominantly Latinx communities
- b. Briefing from Travis County Tax Office on property tax resources
- c. Briefing on Land Development Code, regarding implications for low income families, environmental protections, density bonuses, affordable housing
 - i. Invite for November meeting
- d. Briefing from Housing Authority of City of Austin (HACA) on health, affordability, and safety for low income families
 - i. Invite for November meeting

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Afifi adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm.

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