



JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 20200422-02B

Date: April 22, 2020

Subject: Support of the LGBTQ Quality of Life Commission Budget Recommendation 20200408-2A(1) to Develop LGBTQ-Focused Programs

Motioned By: Curry

Seconded By: Solis

Recommendation

The Joint Inclusion Committee supports the LGBTQ Quality of Life Commission Budget Recommendation 20200408-2A to Develop LGBTQ-Focused Programs

Description of Recommendation to Council

See attached.

Rationale:

The Joint Inclusion Committee strengthens connections between City boards and commissions concerned with quality of life in Austin and advises the City Council on issues pertaining to equity, diversity, and inclusion. This resolution furthers equity, diversity and inclusion.

Vote

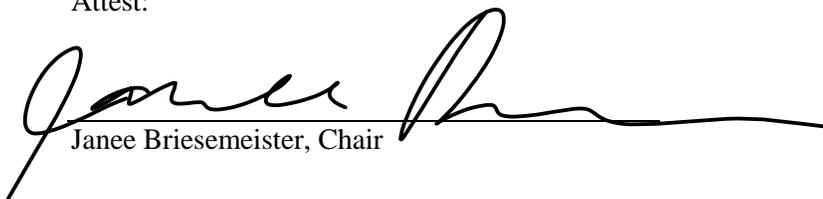
For: Briesemeister, Austen, Solis, Crawford, Stanton, Curry, Orlowski

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Weigel, Jones

Attest:


Janeé Briesemeister, Chair



**LGBTQ QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION
RECOMMENDATION 20200408-2A(1)**

**Budget Recommendation to Develop LGBTQ-Focused
Programs**

WHEREAS, the City of Austin has recognized in their Strategic Direction the need to inclusively honor and preserve Austin's unique and diverse history, culture and traditions, and

WHEREAS, the adopted Strategic Direction also calls for a regular inventory and evaluation of cultural programming and facilities to identify gaps and opportunities for impacting equity and equality while implementing standardized process for collecting and analyzing demographic participation, and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community has long advocated for the need for facilities and programs dedicated to the unique aspect of our community's culture similar to those provided to the African American, Hispanic and Asian American communities, and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ Quality of Life Commission community forum on the City's 2020 Budget heard requests for more LGBTQ focused recreation and cultural programming,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LGBTQ Quality of Life Advisory Commission recommends to the City Council that city departments develop LGBTQ focused programming using existing available resources and facilities as well as utilizing community organizations for support and volunteers, and that

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Council direct the City Manager to report back to Council on a plan for collecting and reporting on the demographic information on the implementation of such LGBTQ focused recreation and cultural programming prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year.

Date of Approval: April 8, 2020

Record of the vote: Unanimous on an 11-0 vote.

Present: Martinez, Gonzales, Baeza, Chavez, Curette, Curry, Dowling, Gonzalez, Hines, Taylor, Wollerson

Kathryn Gonzales

Attest: _____ Kathryn Gonzales, Vice Chair