



Special Meeting of the Commission on Veteran Affairs July 6, 2020

Commission on Veteran Affairs to be held July 6, 2020 with Social Distancing Modifications

Public comment will be allowed via telephone; no in-person input will be allowed. **All speakers must register in advance (July 5, 2020 by Noon)**. All public comment will occur at the beginning of the meeting.

To speak remotely at the **Commission on Veteran Affairs** Meeting, residents must:

- Call or email the board liaison at **Tina Lee at Tina.Lee@austintexas.gov** no later than noon, (the day before the meeting). The information required is the speaker name, item number(s) they wish to speak on, whether they are for/against/neutral, and a telephone number or email address.
- Once a request to speak has been called in or emailed to the board liaison, residents will receive either an email or phone call providing the telephone number to call on the day of the scheduled meeting.
- Speakers must call in at least 15 minutes prior to meeting start in order to speak, late callers will not be accepted and will not be able to speak.
- Speakers will be placed in a queue until their time to speak.
- Handouts or other information may be emailed to Tina Lee by Noon the day before the scheduled meeting. This information will be provided to Board and Commission members in advance of the meeting.
- If this meeting is broadcast live, residents may watch the meeting here:
<http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live>



**COMMISSION ON VETERAN AFFAIRS
MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020, 10:00AM – 11:30AM
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCING**

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Doris Williams (Chair) Mayor Steve Adler	Chris Ehlinger – Alison Alter: (10)
Manuel Jimenez (Vice Chair) Sabino Renteria: (3)	Josephine Hinds – Jimmy Flannigan: (6)
Alfred Bingham – Natasha Harper-Madison: (1)	Adrenne Mendoza – Delia Garza: (2)
Jose Carrasco – Greg Casar (4)	Thomas Just – Paige Ellis: (8)
Elisabeth Collura-Rosenberg – Kathie Tovo: (9)	Pete Salazar – Leslie Pool (7)
Jason Denny – Ann Kitchen (5)	

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the minutes from the Commission on Veterans Affairs Regular meetings on January 15, 2020

2. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Update on Veterans Park from the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department (Sponsors: Jason Denny, Pete Salazar)
- b) Discussion on providing further guidance on Veteran Courts referral policy (Sponsors: Thomas Just, Jason Denny, Manuel Jimenez)
- c) Discussion on proposed TAP (Transition Assistance Program) pilot program (Sponsors: Thomas Just, Jason Denny)
- d) Discussion and possible action on resolution for Kiro Action Group (Sponsors: Pete Salazar, Jose Carrasco)
- e) Nominations and elections of new officers

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Discussion of the mechanisms for Commissioners to address veteran issues. (Sponsors: Doris Williams, Manuel Jimenez, Liz Collura-Rosenburg)
- b) Discussion and action of Commission on Veteran Affairs 2019 Annual Report

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Meeting locations are planned with wheelchair access. If requiring Sign Language Interpreters or alternative formats, please give notice at least 2 days (48 Hours) before the meeting date.

Please call Tina Lee at the Veterans Program Department at 512-974-3306 or Tina.Lee@austintexas.gov for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711.

For more information on the Veterans Commission, please contact Tina Lee at 512-974-3306 or visit <http://www.austintexas.gov/content/commission-veterans-affairs-1>