



**ASIAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION (AAQOLAC)  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020**

The AAQOLAC convened in a regular meeting on Monday, June 22, 2020 at via WebEx

Chair Vince Cobalis called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:06 p.m.

**Commission Members in Attendance:**

Vince Cobalis, Sarah Chen, Peter Chao, Kirk Yoshida, Nguyen Stanton, Kavita Radhakrishnan, Hanna Huang, Ketan Patel, Shubhada Saxena, and Pooja Sethi

**Staff in Attendance:**

Rey Arellano, Assistant City Manager  
Brion Oaks, Chief Equity Officer  
Diane Siler, Deputy Budget Officer  
Joshua Robinson, Commissions Liaison (Equity Office)  
Brandon Kroos, Business Process Specialist (Equity Office)

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:**

N/A

**1. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Workgroup Reports:

1. Asian American Resource Center (AARC) Workgroup: See workgroup meeting notes in the backup materials.
2. Health and Community Engagement Workgroup: No updated provided
3. Arts and Culture Workgroup: See workgroup meeting notes in backup materials.
4. Business Planning Workgroup: No updated provided
  - Budget timeline/process

c. Follow-up Items:

1. Update on AARC Masterplan:
2. Update on the Asian American Recourse Center Bridge
3. Results from prior Mini-Grant awards
4. Current status of City Budget process and COVID-19 impact

**2. STAFF BRIEFING**

- a. COVID-19 Funding framework (Rey Arellano -City Manager's Office and Diane Siler -Budget Office) – Assistant City Manager, Rey Arellano and Deputy Budget Officer Diane Siler provided an update on funding the COVID-19 Funding Framework.

- b. Results from prior Mini-Grant awards and Update on upcoming Equity Mini-Grant application and timeline (Brion Oaks – Equity Office) – Chief Equity Officer, Brion Oaks and Business Process Specialist, Brandon Kroos provided an update on the Equity Mini-Grant process.

### **3. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and possible action on the election of officers to the Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission – Commissioner did not take action.
- b. Discussion and possible action on recommendations for the Austin Police Department – Commissioner Saxena moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Yoshida seconded. The vote was 8 - in Favor. 3 – Abstain.
- c. Network of Asian American organizations and Asian American Pacific Islander response to the COVID-19 Pandemic – Commission did not take action.
- d. Census 2020 initiative "Count Us In" – Commissioner Sumit DasGupta (Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission) provided a presentation over the 2020 Census Asian American Complete Count.
- e. Discussion and Possible action related to the FY 2021 Budget – Commissioner Yoshida moved to revise the FY2021 Budget Recommendations. Commissioner Chen seconded. Vote was 11-0

### **5. FUTURE AGENDA**

- a. Analysis of Austin Police Department's Racial Profiling Data joint report and update on the new Community Police Review Commission (Maya Guevara – Office of Police Oversight)
- b. Austin Public Health briefing on the Social Services Audit Report and 2021 Budget initiatives.
- c. Annual Internal Report

### **6. ADJOURN**

Chair Cobalis adjourned the meeting without any objections at 11:45 p.m.