



**HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
RECOMMENDATION 20220322-3avii**

FUNDING FOR UPDATED HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE STUDY

Strategic Direction: Government that Works for All

Date: March 22, 2022

Subject: FY23 Budget Recommendations

Motioned by: Vigil

Seconded by: Garay

Recommendation to Council:

Allocate \$300,000 for an updated Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Study.

Background and Rationale:

As a direct result of the Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Initiative Report, Ordinance Number 20130808-059 established the Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission in 2013. Per Austin Code Section 2-1-146, the Commission shall advise the City Council on issues relating to the quality of life for the City's Hispanic/Latino community and shall recommend programs and policies designed to alleviate any inequities that may confront Hispanics and Latinos in social, economic, and vocational pursuits including education, youth services, housing and community development, cultural arts, economic development, health, civic engagement, and transportation.

The Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission has been strongly advocating for an updated Quality of Life report for some time now. The report that was published in 2013 is outdated and needs have changed, especially during and after multiple emergencies, including COVID and winter storm Uri. A systems-level intersectional approach is needed for this study. The success of the LGBTQIA+ study in reaching directly impacted residents is a testament to how successful this work can be.

Vote:

For: Afifi, Vigil, Solis, Garay, Ramirez, Perales, Silva

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Peña, Garcia

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda Afifi".

Amanda Afifi, Chair

Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Initiative Report -

https://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/City_Manager/HispanicReport-ver_6-0901_13.pdf