



AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting – October 4, 2022, 5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

City of Austin Permitting and Development Center

6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr.

Austin, Texas 78752

AGENDA

Some members of the Commission may be participating by videoconference. Public comment will be allowed in person or via telephone. Remote speakers must register in advance (October 3rd by Noon). All public comment will occur at the beginning of the meeting. To speak remotely, residents must: Call or email the board liaison at Linda Hayes at Economic Development Department, at (512-974-6282) lindak.hayes@austintexas.gov, no later than noon October 3rd. The information required is the speaker's name, item number(s) they wish to speak on, whether they are for/against/neutral, email address and telephone number (must be the same number that will be used to call into the meeting).

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

Elaina Fowler, Chair (District 10)

Daryl Horton, (Appointee)

Mueni Rudd (District 2)

Dr. Chiquita Eugene (District 5)

Serita Fontanesi (District 7)

Joi Harden (District 9)

Greg Smith (ARA Appointee)

Cherelle Vanbrakle Vice Chair (District 4)

Dewi Smith (District 1)

Clifford Gillard (District 3)

Vacant (District 6)

Rashida Wright (District 8)

Quincy Dunlap (AAUL Appointee)

Nelson Linder (NAACP Appointee)

Roger Davis (GABC Appointee)

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CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

The first 10 speakers who register to speak no later than October 3rd by noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

1. September 6th meeting minutes

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

2. **Presentation by Chase Wright** - Discussion on the Springdale Park Neighbors
3. **Presentation by Rebecca Sorensen** - Discussion on the Lone Star Circle of Care's Big Pink Bus (mobile mammograms services)
4. **Presentation by Dr. Roosevelt Weeks Austin Public Library** - Discussion of Library Services
5. **Presentation by Dr. Laura Cortez of Cortez Consulting** – Discussion St. John Redevelopment Project
6. **Commission Meeting Dates** – Discussion of 2023 calendar year meeting dates
7. **Reconnecting Communities Planning Grant** – Discussion for creation of community support letter on behalf of Austin Transportation for grant funding for [Connecting Equitably Mobility Study](#)
8. **Commission Retreat** – Discussion of possible dates, topics and facilitator of the retreat.
9. **Texas Relays Community Event** – Discussion lead by Commissioner Horton and Commissioner Smith of University of Texas, City of Austin and Community Support of the event.
10. **FY23-24 Budget Cycle** - Discussion of City of Austin budget process including submission dates for Commission –*deadline for submission March 30, 2023*

WORKING GROUPS AND ASSIGNMENTS DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

11. Safety – Recommendation on being safe in our home, at work and in our African American Community
12. Economic Opportunity and Affordability – Recommendation on having economic opportunities and resources that enable us to thrive in our African American community
13. Health and Environment – Recommendations on enjoying a sustainable environment and a healthy life, physically and mentally as an African American
14. Culture and Lifelong Learning – Recommendations on being enriched by Austin's unique civic, cultural, ethnic, and learning opportunities for African Americans
15. Government That Works for All – Recommendations on believing the city government works effectively and collaboratively for all of us -that it is equitable, ethical and innovative as an African American

WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES

16. The Austin Revitalization Authority – Greg Smith, President
17. The Greater Austin Black Chamber of Commerce – Roger Davis Member
18. The Baptist Minister Union – Rev. Daryl Horton, President
19. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People-Nelson Linder President
20. The Austin Area Urban League – Quincy Dunlap, President, and CEO
21. Cultural Arts – Clifford Gillard
22. Joint Inclusion Committee – Greg Smith and Serita Fontanesi

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the American 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 Linda Hayes at Economic Development Department, at (512-974-6282), for additional information; TTY users' route through Relay Texas at 711. For more information on the African American Resource Advisory Commission, please contact Linda Hayes at 512-974-6282 – lindak.hayes@austintexas.gov

