

**JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE (JIC)****March 23rd, 2022 at 3:00 PM****Austin City Hall****Boards & Commissions Room****301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX****MEETING MINUTES**

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 (March 22 by Noon). All public comment will occur at the beginning of the meeting. To speak remotely, residents must: Call or email the Equity Office's Commission Liaison, Jeremy Garza, at (512) 978-1797 or jeremy.garza@austintexas.gov, no later than noon March 22 at 12pm/Noon. 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:

Hispanic Quality of Life Advisory Commission:

Amanda Afifi+

Alternate: Sharon Vigil

Asian American Quality of Life Commission:

Vincent Cobalis +

Alternate: Hanna Huang

Early Childhood Council:

Raul Alvarez +

Alternate: Johanna Hosking Pulido

Commission on Immigrant Affairs:

Karen Crawford (Vice Chair) +

Alternate: Krystal Gomez

Commission for Women:

Rebecca Austen +

Alternate: Vanessa Bissereth

LGBTQ Quality of Life

Commission:

*Alternate: Charles Curry**(Chair) +*

Commission for Seniors:

Amy Temperley +

Alternate: Sally VanSickle

Mayor's Committee for People with Disability:

Robin Orlowski +

Alternate: Joey Gidseg

Human Rights Commission:

Jamarr Brown -

Alternate: Idona Griffith

African American Resource

Advisory Commission:

Gregory Smith -

Alternate: Serita Fontanesi

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Charles Curry called the meeting to order at 3:02pm

VIRTUAL ROLL CALL:

Present:

Amanda Afifi – Hispanic Quality of Life Advisory Commission
Vincent Cobalis – Asian American Quality of Life Commission
Raul Alvarez – Early Childhood Council
Karen Crawford – Commission in Immigrant Affairs
Rebecca Austen – Commission on Women
Charles Curry – LGBTQ+ Quality of Life Commission
Amy Temperley – Commission on Seniors
Robin Orlowski – Mayor’s Committee for People with Disabilities

Absent:

Jamarr Brown – Human Rights Commission
Gregory Smith – African American Resource Advisor Commission

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda. Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely by telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation. To register, please email the Equity Office’s Commission Liaison, jeremy.garza@austintexas.gov, or call at (512) 987-1797.

1. WELCOME NEW JIC REPRESENTATIVE:

- a. Introduction of Amy Temperely – Commission on Seniors

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes from January 28th 2022

Motion to Approve by Vince Cobalis.

Seconded by Amanda Afifi with spelling corrections on Commissioner names and adding Rebecca Austen to the rollcall.

Passes unanimously.

- b. Minutes from February 23rd, 2022

Motion to Approve by Karen Crawford.

Seconded by Amy Temperely, with spelling corrections on Commissioner names.

Passed unanimously.

3. PRESENTATIONS

a. Staff Presentation from Rebecca Lightsey of American Gateways

- i. Presentation given, no questions, no action taken.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. FY21-22/FY22-23 Budget Process

- i. Discussion of FY22-23 Proposed Budget
- ii. Report from individual Commission representatives and budget workgroups on determining recommendations for the FY22-23 Proposed Budget: → NO REPORTS

5. NEW BUSINESS

Consideration and potential action on endorsing the following recommendations submitted to the Joint Inclusion Committee. Budget Items Organized Around 6 Issues: Affordability, Resilience, Access, Engagement, Public Safety, & Health. The recommendations posted on the agenda were discussed with the consensus being to consider them by issue areas as they are listed on the agenda.

a. Affordability:

- LGBTQ Commission: Resolution on Safe & Affordable Housing
- Commission on Seniors: Rent and Utility Assistance
- Early Childhood Council: Maintain Early Childhood Funding
- Immigrant Affairs: Legal Assistant and Increase in Legal Funding
- H/L_QoL: Expanding Services for Immigrant Legal Services
- AAQoL: Immigrant Legal Services

Motion to Approve by Karen Crawford to approve the endorsement of the resolutions.
Seconded by Vince Cobalis.

Passed unanimously.

b. Resilience:

- ~~AAQoL: Music Hubs~~
 - Note: This recommendation was pulled from the agenda at the request of the AAQoL Commission.
- AARAC: Colony Park Sustainable Communities/Master Plan Project
- Winter Storm Resolution - Authored by Rebecca Austen on behalf of the JIC

Motion by Amy Temperely to separate, pull, & table the one AARAC rec on Colony Park recommendation.

Seconded by Raul Alvarez.

Passed Unanimously.

Motion by Vince Cobalis to approve the endorsement of the Winter Storm Resolution.

Seconded by Rebecca Austen.

Passed unanimously.

c. Access:

- Immigrant Affairs: Development of Immigrant Affairs Office
- Immigrant Affairs: Dual Language Summer Camp
- H/L_QoL: Two-generation bilingual early childhood education
- AARAC: Funding for Carver Museum
- H/L_QoL: AISD Parent Support Specialists

Motion to approve the endorsement of the above resolutions by Raul Alvarez.

Seconded by Amy Temperely.

Passed unanimously.

d. Engagement:

- Commission on Seniors: Community Engagement Specialist (Age-Friendly)
- Commission on Seniors: Quality of Life Study
- AAQoL: Community Engagement & Outreach FTE for Cultural Arts Division Programs
- AARAC: Workforce Development and Economic Empowerment

Motion by Karen Crawford to approve the endorsement of the resolutions above.

Seconded by Raul Alvarez.

Passed Unanimously.

• AARAC: Quality of Life Reporting

Motion by Karen to pull this recommendation and bring to bottom of agenda for further deliberation.

Seconded by Robin Orlowski.

Passed unanimously.

e. Public Safety:

- ~~Commission for Women: Reimagining Public Safety~~
 - This item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the Commission for Women.
- Commission for Women: Recommendation on Public Safety

- AARAC: Austin Police Office of Community Liaison

Motion by Amy Temperely to approve the endorsement of the two resolutions above.
Seconded by Robin Orłowski.

Passed unanimously.

f. Health:

- Commission on Seniors: Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness
- Commission on Women: Experiencing Homelessness
- AARAC: Persons Experiencing Homelessness (African American/Youth)
- Commission for Women: Rec on Mental Health
- H/L_QoL: Mental Health Supports for Hispanic/Latino Community
- AAQoL: Mental Health Services Recommendation
- LGBTQ Commission: Rec on Youth Mental Health
- Commission on Immigrant Affairs: Refugee Health Screening Clinic

Motion by Amanda Afifi to approve the endorsement of the resolutions above.
Seconded by Raul Alvarez.

Passed unanimously.

g. Other:

- JIC: Adopting New Budget Process & Schedule

Motion by Karen Crawford to amend resolution: delete "Quality of Life Commissions" and replace with "the member Commissions of the Joint Inclusion Committee;" and remove "LGBTQ Quality of Life Commission" and replace with "Joint Inclusion Committee;" and to remove "Quality of Life Commissions" and replace with "the member Commissions of the Joint Inclusion Committee;" and remove "November 31" and replace with "November 30".
Seconded by Robin Orłowski.

Passed Unanimously.

h. Other:

- AARAC: Quality of Life Reporting

Motion by Rebecca Austen to expand AARAC Quality of Life Reporting to make this a resolution representative of and applicable to all JIC commissions. Change wording to studies and suggest all JIC commissions get quality of life studies. The resolution should also include language incorporating a recommendation that the City take a more expansive and innovative approach to data collection as a substitute for more expensive Quality of Life Study updates. Also add recommendation for an innovative approach to constituents' data collection by the city.
Seconded by Robin Orłowski.

Passed unanimously.

i. New Business Continued:

1. Action to Endorse (Not Budget Related): Resolution on Moving Americans with Disabilities Act Program into Civil Rights Office.

Motion by Vince Cobalis to approve the endorsement of the resolution.

Seconded by Karen Crawford.

Passed Unanimously.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Staff Presentation: Office of Police Oversight (OPO) by Karla Paredo
- b. April Meeting - Officer Elections
- c. Cathy McHorse: Wants to present to the JIC (or any other Board/Commission meetings) about how the ARPA funds are being invested to increase equitable access for early childhood services across Austin communities - please let the other chairs know to contact me if interested?
- d. SOGI - Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity - To ask the City to start collecting this information. (LGBTQ Commission)
- e. Training process for commissioners. Training about the budgeting process. Make it apart of on-boarding.
- f. Colony Park Proposal from AARAC

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn meeting by Karen Crawford.

Seconded by Amanda Afifi.

Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:02pm

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The minutes were approved at the 04/27/2022 regular meeting of the JIC on Commissioner Rebecca Austen's motion, Commissioner Amy Temperley's second, with none opposed, none abstained, and the motion passed unanimously.

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