

## MEETING MINUTES



## ASIAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE COMMISSION

August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Austin City Hall

Boards &amp; Commissions Room

301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, TX

Regular Commission Meeting

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This meeting is being held in a hybrid format, and 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 (August 15<sup>h</sup> by 12pm-Noon). All public comments will occur at the beginning of the meeting and public speakers will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. To speak or attend remotely, residents must contact the Equity Office's Commission/Neighborhood Liaison, Jeremy Garza, no later than 12pm-noon on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Please telephone call at (512) 978-1797 or email [jeremy.garza@austintexas.gov](mailto:jeremy.garza@austintexas.gov). The information required is the speaker's name, the 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).

## BOARD MEMBERS:

District	Commissioner	District	Commissioner
1	Kirk Yoshida (Chair)	9	Salimah Shamsuddin
2	Azra Siddiqi	10	Meena Mutyala
3	Kuo Yang	Mayor	Hanna Huang
4	Lily Trieu	At-Large	Pramod Patil
5	Vincent Cobalis	At-Large	Pooja Sethi
6	Fang Fang	At-Large	Zahra Shakur Jamal-Hassan
7	VACANT	At-Large	Sarah Chen (Vice-Chair) +
8	VACANT		

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting is called to order by Chair Kirk Yoshida at: **6:04pm**

**ROLL CALL**

**ABSENT:**

- Hanna Huang
- Kuo Yang
- Salimah Shamsuddin

**PRESENT:**

- Kirk Yoshida
- Lily Trie
- Meena Mutyala
- Vince Cobalis
- Fang Fang
- Sarah Chen
- Azra Siddiqi
- Pooja Sethi
- Pramod Patil

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first ten 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.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the COMMISSION'S REGULAR MEETING on July 19th, June 21st & April 19th, 2022.
  - a. Commissioner Chen motioned to approve all minutes from April, June & July 2022 in one motion. Seconded by Commissioner Fang Fang. All in Favor. None Opposed. No abstains. Motion passed unanimously.

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**STAFF BRIEFINGS**

2. Staff Presentation from the Small & Minority Business Resources (SMBR) Department on the City of Austin's 2022 Disparity Study - by Public Information Specialist Senior Eddie Bynog & Executive Director Edward Campos and/or Assistant Executive Director Tamela Saldana – August 2022
3. Staff Presentation from PARD Cultural Arts & Programs on the AARC Phase Project – Laura Esparza
  - a. Tabled to September 2022, at the request of Director Laura Esparza.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

4. CapMetro Presentation on Fare Capping & Equifare Transit Equity Programs w/ Grace Nguyen and Edna Parra – August 2022
5. Discussion of FY22-23 Budget Process, Recommendations and Endorsements – Including announcement on JIC's Special Called Meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup> 3-5pm for a presentation from the Budget Office on the City Manager's FY22-23 Draft Budget.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

6. Discussion and possible action on nominating a primary representative to the JIC, as mandated by the City Clerk.
  - a. Commissioner Sarah Chen motioned to nominate Commissioner Vincent Cobalis as the official representative to the JIC. Seconded by Commissioner Kirk Yoshida. No discussion. No abstentions or objections. Motion passed unanimously.

**WORKING GROUPS/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

7. Asian American Resource Center (AARC) Workgroup - Update on AARC Master Plan
8. Health and Community Engagement Workgroup – General Update on Current Work
9. Arts & Culture Workgroup – General Update on Current Work & Announcement on an Event hosted by Austin - Oita Sisters City Committee at the AARC on Sat. August 20<sup>th</sup>
10. Human Resources Workgroup – General Update on Current Work

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11. Business Planning Workgroup – General Update on Current Work & Update on FY 22-23 Budget Process
12. Public Safety / Policing Project – General Update on Current Work
13. Joint Inclusion Committee – General Update on Current Work by Commissioner Cobalis
14. Commissioner Vacancies, Annual Report & Workgroup Members – Commissioner Yoshida

**INFORMATION SHARING**

15. Open Mic for Commissioners to share information with each other, especially regarding future agenda and pending deadlines on action items.
  - a. Announcement on an Event hosted by Austin - Oita Sisters City Committee at the AARC on Sat. August 20<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Sounds of Sister Cities at the AARC on Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>
  - c. October 16<sup>th</sup> Celebration at the AARC – Cultural Performances & Food!
  - d. Network of Asian American Organizations (NAAO) Board Retreat – Weekend of August 27<sup>th</sup>
  - e. September 17-October 16<sup>th</sup> Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative will be hosting three Asian fellows (two from Malaysia, the other from Indonesia) organized by ICMA – Sponsored by Executive Liaison Rey Arellano.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

16. Call for items from Committee members:
  - a. Staff Presentation from PARD Cultural Arts & Programs on the AARC Phase Project – Laura Esparza – **September 2022**
  - b. Staff Presentation from the ATX Walk Bike Roll project team (ATXWBR) on the joint effort between the Public Works Department (PWD) and Austin Transportation Department (ATD) to update Austin's sidewalk, urban trails, bicycle plans; and guide the direction of City Council's Austin Strategic Mobility Plan (ASMP) by Craig McCulloch & Katie Wettick - **September 2022**

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- c. Human Resources Department Staff Report Update **(TBD)**
- d. Northwest Austin Universal Health Clinic (Dr. Sanjna Malpani) **(TBD)**
- e. Language Access Program Update from CPIO **(TBD)**
- f. Austin Public Health Department on Budget **(TBD)**
- g. Activation of the Joint Cultural Committee **(TBD)**
- h. YWCA – Mental Health Contract with APH for Asian American Mental Health Services **(TBD)**
- i. Austin Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) – Debrief **(TBD)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

17. The meeting is adjourned at: **8:04pm**

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**For more information on the Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission, please contact the Equity Office Commission/Neighborhood Liaison, Jeremy Garza, by phone at (512) 978-1797, or (preferably) via email at [jeremy.garza@austintexas.gov](mailto:jeremy.garza@austintexas.gov).**

**\* The Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission voted to approve these meeting minutes at their regular meeting on 11/15/2022 on Commissioner Lily Trieu's motion, and Commissioner Sarah Chen's second. None abstained. None opposed. The motion to approve these meeting minutes passed unanimously.**