



AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Regular Meeting – December 6, 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 (December 5th 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.haves@austintexas.gov, no later than noon December 5th. 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 December 5th 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. November 15th meeting minutes

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

2. **Michael Lofton President/CEO/Founder** – African American Youth Harvest Foundation – providing an update on the Foundation.
3. **Brie Franco Intergovernmental Relations Officer** updates government relations
4. **Florinda Bryant Program Coordinator**, African American Cultural & Heritage Facility Cultural Art Division COA Economic Development Department - update on the facility and update on her process for FY23
5. Working groups Chair assignments
6. Retreat dates discussion

WORKING GROUPS AND ASSIGNMENTS DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

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

WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES

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

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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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