



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON AGING  
FEBRUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AT NOON  
CITY HALL, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM  
301 W 2<sup>ND</sup> ST  
AUSTIN, TEXAS, 78701**

**Some members of the BOARD/COMMISSION may be participating by videoconference.**

Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via 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 by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Halana Kaleel, 512-972-5019, [Halana.Kaleel@austintexas.gov](mailto:Halana.Kaleel@austintexas.gov).

**CURRENT MEMBERS:**

Janee Briesemeister, Chair	Richard Bondi	Martin Kareithi	Henry Van de Putte
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Jacqueline Angel	Emily De Maria Nicola	Fred Lugo	
Martha Bauman	Erica Garcia-Pittman	Sally Van Sickle	

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 10 speakers who register to speak no later than 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. Approve the minutes of the January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Commission on Aging Meeting.

**STAFF BRIEFINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2. Staff briefing regarding Age-Friendly Austin Update, Kodjo Dodo, Manager and Nicole Howe, Age Friendly Austin Program Coordinator, Planning and Evaluation Unit, Austin Public Health.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

3. Presentation: Update ATX Walk Bike Roll, Craig McColloch, City of Austin Public Works.
4. Discussion on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation Cycle Planning and Engagement.
5. Discussion on the Age-Friendly Austin Community Feedback Survey 2023.
6. Discussion on 2023 Older Americans Month Event.

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

7. Commission on Aging 2023 Officer Elections
8. Discussion and Possible Action on creating a Working Group related to the goals of Domains 1, 2, and 3 of the Austin Age Friendly Action Plan to study and make recommendations on:
  - Mobility options that meet the needs of older adults, including the promotion of ride options and scheduling of rides;
  - Policies to expand affordable housing for older adults and policies to allow older adults to age in place; and
  - Expanding Parks and Recreation Department programming for older adults and implementation of the Commission's resolution calling for more outdoor seating in Austin's parks, trails, and open spaces.
9. Discussion and Possible Action on creating a Working Group related to the goals of Domains 4, 5, and 6 of the Austin Age Friendly Action Plan to study and make recommendations on:
  - Increasing the number, accessibility, and awareness of social participation opportunities for older adults;
  - Expanding programs and services that engage and empower older adults, and their access by older adults in diverse communities; and
  - Exploring and recommending actions and partnerships to increase employment and entrepreneurial opportunities for older adults.
10. Discussion and Possible Action on creating a Working Group related to the goals of Domain 8 of the Austin Age Friendly Action Plan to study and make recommendations on:
  - Ensuring older adults have access to and can afford the healthcare and social services they need to realize optimal quality of life; and
  - Budget recommendations and service/project deliverable reviews with a focus on the impact of the social determinants of health on identified priority needs. These priorities include but are not limited to; increased knowledge of and access to community health resources, caregiver support services, sustainable food options, best practice emergency preparedness planning and financial stability.
11. Discussion and possible action on Commission on Aging FY23 Community Service Award.

## **WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

12. Discussion and briefing from the Quality of Life Study Working Group.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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