



*Economic Prosperity Commission*  
**REGULAR CALLED MEETING**  
**MINUTES**  
*Wednesday February 15, 2023, 6:30 pm*

The Economic Prosperity Commission convened in a **REGULAR CALLED** meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, TX 78701.

Vice Chair Kirsha Haverlah called the Economic Prosperity Commission Meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:** Nathan Ryan - Chair Kirsha, Haverlah - Vice Chair, Michael D Nahas

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:** Shayna Brown, Kelsey Hitchingham

**CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS:** Vacant- District 3 Christiana Ponder Amy Noel Preston Tom Will Townsend Ryan Kurtz

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

No public communication

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the minutes of the Economic Prosperity Commission Regular Meeting on October 19, 2022.

**The minutes from the meeting of 10/19/2022 were approved on Nathan Ryan's motion, Kirsha Haverlah second vote. 6-0 to approve.**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Chair Nathan Ryan resigned from the Economic Prosperity Commission.
2. Discuss and vote for new Chair and Vice Chair
  - a. The Chair motion was approved first by Nathan Ryan second by Michael Nahas vote: 6-0 approve.
  - b. This Vice Chair motion was approved first by Kirsha Haverlah second by Amy Noel vote: 6-0 approve.
3. Working group reports and possible action –
  - a. Budget Working Group Kirsha Haverlah, Shayna Brown and Kelsey Hitchingham

4. Working Group Report – No Action
5. Intercommission Working Group Report – No Action
6. Joint Sustainability Commission Member Report – No Action

### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

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7. Creation of new working groups and discussion of their 2023 agendas
  - a. Basic needs (Reproductive Healthcare; Childcare; Housing and affordability)
    - i. Chair Kelsey, Shayna
  - b. Education (Research up-skilling & re-skilling; Small Business Needs Study)
    - i. Combine with Jobs - Chair (need), Kirsha
  - c. Combine with Education - Jobs (Missing middle jobs workforce solutions; Green Jobs; Identifying jobs with wraparound services)
    - i. Chair (need), Kirsha
  - d. Income (Living Wage for Austin; Living wage for City of Austin employees; Salary Transparency)
  - e. Future needs (Recession Proof Planning; Resiliency Office?)
    - i. Chair Michael, Kelsey