

**JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE (JIC)
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The JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE convened in a SPECIAL CALLED meeting on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29th, 2023, at the PERMITTING AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER ROOM 1203, 6310 WILHELMINA DELCO DRIVE in AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Chair CHARLES CURRY called the JOINT INCLUSION COMMITTEE MEETING to order at 3:01 pm CST.

Commissioners in Attendance:

LGBTQ+ Quality-of-Life Advisory Commission: Charles Curry (Chair)

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Asian American Quality-of-Life Advisory Commission: Hanna Huang

Commission for Women: Rebecca Austen

Commission on Aging: Amy Temperley

Early Childhood Council: Raul Alvarez

Hispanic/Latino Quality-of Life-Resource Advisory Commission: Amanda Afifi

Human Rights Commission: Idonna Griffith (Vice-Chair) & Kimberly Brienzi

Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities: Jennifer Powell

Commissioners Absent:

African American Resource Advisory Commission: Gregory Smith

Commission on Immigrant Affairs: Juan Vences-Benitez & Krystal Gomez

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.

NONE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the COMMITTEE's REGULAR CALLED MEETING on March 22nd, 2023.

The minutes from the meeting of March 22nd, 2023 were approved on COMMISSIONER REBECCA AUSTEN's motion, COMMISSIONER AMANDA AFIFI's second on an 8 – 0 vote.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

2. Discussion and possible action on JIC originated FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Health Priority** – Emergency Shelter; authored by Rebecca Austen, the Commission for Women.

The motion to approve *the JIC originated FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC's Health Priority) on Emergency Shelter* was approved on COMMISSIONER REBECCA AUSTEN's motion, COMMISSIONER AMY TEMPERLEY's second on an 8 – 0 vote.

3. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under **Health Priority** – Supporting Child and Youth in Austin; submitted by the Hispanic/Latino QoL Commission for Joint Endorsement *and tabled at the last meeting of the JIC 3/22/2023.*

The motion to bring the item off the table and to approve *the FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC's Health Priority) on Supporting Child and Youth in Austin with an amendment to specify the allocation of \$550,000 for Academia Cuauhtli's Aztech Coding Program for Indigenous, Latinx/Hispanic, and Black Youth in East Austin* was approved on COMMISSIONER AMY TEMPERLEY's motion, COMMISSIONER HANNA HUANG's second on an 8 – 0 vote.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve the FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Health Priority** – Allocation of New Funds for Education and Outreach On Emergency Resources; submitted by the Commission on Aging for Joint Endorsement *and tabled at the last meeting of the JIC 3/22/2023.*

The motion to bring item off the table and to approve *the JIC originated FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC's Health Priority) on the Allocation of New Funds for Education and Outreach on Emergency Resources* was approved on COMMISSIONER AMY TEMPERLEY's motion, COMMISSIONER JENNIFER POWELL's second on an 8 – 0 vote.

5. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Affordability Priority** – Increased Emergency Housing and Utility Assistance Targeted to Older Adults; submitted by the Commission on Aging for Joint Endorsement *and tabled at the last meeting of the JIC 3/22/2023.*

Item left on the table. No action taken.

6. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendations under the **Health Priority** – Expand funding for PARD services, including day habilitation services, for children & adults with intellectual disabilities; submitted by the Mayor’s Committee for People with Disabilities.

The motion to approve *the FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC’s Health Priority) to Expand Funding for PARD services, including Day Habilitation Services, for Children & Adults with Intellectual Disabilities* was approved on COMMISSIONER JENNIFER POWELL’s motion, COMMISSIONER IDONNA GRIFFITH’s second on an 8 – 0 vote.

7. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Health Priority** – Expanded Funding for Immigrant Legal Services; submitted by the Hispanic/Latino Quality-of-Life Resource Advisory Commission.

The motion to approve *the FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC’s Health Priority) to Expand Funding for Immigrant Legal Services* was approved on COMMISSIONER RAUL ALVAREZ’s motion, COMMISSIONER IDONNA GRIFFITH’s second on an 8 – 0 vote.

8. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Transportation Priority** – Affordable Transportation; submitted by the Hispanic/Latino Quality-of-Life Resource Advisory Commission.

The motion to approve *the FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC’s Transportation Priority) on Affordable Transportation* was approved on COMMISSIONER JENNIFER POWELL’s motion, COMMISSIONER IDONNA GRIFFITH’s second on an 8 – 0 vote.

9. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Health Priority** – Community Health Workers; submitted by the Hispanic/Latino Quality-of-Life Advisory Commission

The motion to approve *the FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC's Health Priority) on Community Health Workers* was approved on COMMISSIONER IDONNA GRIFFITH's motion, COMMISSIONER AMANDA AFIFI's second on an 7 – 1 vote. Those members voting aye were: Commissioners Hannah Huang, Rebecca Austen, Raul Alvarez, Amanda Afifi, Idonna Griffith, Charles Curry, Jennifer Powell. Those members voting nay were: Amy Temperley.

10. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Affordability Priority** – Emergency Rental Assistance; submitted by the African American Resource Advisory Commission, authored by Greg Smith.

Discussion on this item begins at the 43 minute and 40 seconds mark in the posted audio recording.

The motion to table *the FY23-24 Budget Recommendations (under the JIC's Affordability Priority) on Emergency Rental Assistance* was approved on COMMISSIONER AMY TEMPERLEY's motion, COMMISSIONER IDONNA GRIFFITH's second on an 8 – 0 vote.

11. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Public Safety Priority** – APD Office of Community Liaison, Summer Youth Leadership Program; submitted by the African American Resource Advisory Commission.

Item pulled from the agenda at the request of the chair due to lack of backup. A draft of this recommendation was never provided to the committee.

12. Discussion and possible action on FY23-24 Budget Recommendation under the **Affordability Priority** – Hungry Hill Homeless; submitted by the African American Resource Advisory Commission.

Item pulled from the agenda at the request of the chair due to lack of backup. A draft of this recommendation was never provided to the committee.

13. Discussion and possible action on any remaining FY23-24 Budget Recommendations under the priorities of Affordability, Public Safety, Health, & Transportation.

No action taken.

14. Discussion and possible action on establishing any needed working groups of the JIC or authorizing additional members for existing working group.

At the request of Commissioner Richard Bondi, clarification is needed to remove Dillon Lowery from the housing workgroup.

No action taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

15. Call for items from Committee Members:

Staff Presentation from Project Connect & the Austin Transportation Partnership (ATP) – Ann Dowling

Elections – Voting in new Chair & Vice-Chair of the JIC

Staff presentation on Community Health Workers from Austin Public Health.

Discussion and possible action on the authorizing a budget workgroup.

ADJOURNMENT:

16. The meeting adjourned at: **4:03pm**

The motion to Adjourn was approved on COMMISSIONER REBECCA AUSTEN's motion, COMMISSIONER JENNIFER POWELL's second on an 8 – 0 vote.

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***The minutes were approved at the Special Called Meeting on APRIL 26th, 2023 on COMMISSIONER AMY TEMPERLEY's motion, COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY BRENZI's second on a 8 – 0 vote.**

Absent from Vote: Commissioners African American Resource Advisory Commission & Commission on Immigrant Affairs.