

## 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 Vise 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

