



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. 2nd 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, Amy Noel

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

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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

The minutes were approved at the July 19, 2023 meeting on Commissioner Salazar's motion, Commissioner Ponder's second on an 6-0 vote.