



***Commission for Women***

***SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES***

***Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023***

**The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Austin City Hall, Boards and Commission Room-1101 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Austin, Texas, 78701**

**Chair Melendez called the Commission for Women Meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.**

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:**

*Diana Melendez, Chair*

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:**

*Rebecca Austen*

*Becky Bullard*

*Julie Glasser*

*Pam Rattan*

*Maria Veloz Salas*

*Vanessa Bissereeth*

*Josephine Serrata*

**Board Members/Commissioners Absent:**

*Neva Fernandez*

*Jocelyn Tau, Vice Chair*

**Staff in Attendance:**

Tabitha Taylor, Office of Civil Rights

## **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

NONE

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Commission for Women regular meeting on August 15,2023.  
**The minutes from the meeting of (08/15/2023) were approved as noted, Commissioner Glasser made the motion for approval, Commissioner Rattan seconded on a (6-0) vote. Commissioners Austen and Salas were absent for the vote, Commissioners Fernandez and Tau were absent from the meeting.**

## **DISCUSSION**

2. Discussion regarding Joint Inclusion Committee Meeting Minutes and Updates  
**Discussion was held.**
3. Discussion regarding the status of the FY 2023-24 Budget Recommendations  
**Discussion was held.**
4. Discussion regarding developing the Women's Hall of Fame Volunteer Committee to recognize Women within the community.  
**Discussion was held.**

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

5. Discussion and possible action regarding determining the need of a community-wide meeting based on Ordinance No.20071129-011 Section § 2-1-124  
**Discussion was held. No action was taken.**
6. Discussion and possible action to approve Women's Hall of Fame Recognition Plan  
**Discussion was held. No action was taken.**

## **WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

7. Update from Working Group on Recognition of Equity for Women and Girls.  
**Discussion was held.**
8. Update from Working Group on Quality-of-Life Study  
**Discussion was held.**
9. Update from Working Group on FY2023-24 Budget  
**Discussion was held.**
10. Update from Working Group on Joint Collective Sex Crime Response Model (CSCRM) Project

**Discussion was held.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Melendez adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m. without objection.

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