



Commission for Women

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 6th, 2023

The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 6th, 2023, at Austin City Hall, Boards and Commission Room-1101 301 West 2nd 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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The minutes from the meeting were approved at the October 4th, 2023, meeting on Commissioner's Rattan motion, Commissioner Glasser seconded on a (7-0) vote. Commissioners Austen, Salas, and Serrata were absent from the meeting.