



**REGULAR MEETING of the
COMMISSION ON VETERAN AFFAIRS
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, July 19, 2023
7:00 PM – Adjournment**

**City of Austin Permitting & Development Center
6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr., Room 1215
Austin, TX 78752**

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

P - Christopher “Cam” Wilson, Chair
V - Kevin Lenau, Vice Chair
P - William Dahlstrom
V - Maria Brown-Spence
A - Armando Gonzales
V - Curtis Wyman

V - Amber Schleuning
V - Patrick Bissett
V - Mark Balch
Vacant – D6
Vacant – D9

P – In person attendance
V – Virtual attendance
A – Absent

Staff Attendance
Damian Pantoja
Jesus Simental

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Start: 7:03 PM

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – COMPLETED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- COMPLETED

1. Approve the minutes of the Commission on Veteran Affairs Regular Meeting of Jun 21, 2023

C. Wilson made the motion to approve June 21, 2023 minutes, W. Dahlstrom second he motion. Pass unanimously 8 – 0. A. Gonzales not present.

STAFF BRIEFINGS – COMPLETED

2. Staff to provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities for new commissioner

The Commission welcomed M. Balch

3. Staff to provide an update on Self Service Password Reset and a 90-day password expiration policy.
4. Staff to provide update on pending MOU with Austin Honor Flight.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS – COMPLETED

5. Continued discussion and possible action to vote on creating goals with the new leadership.
6. Approve a recommendation from the Needs working group regarding social issues impacting the veteran community in the City of Austin.

W. Dahlstrom made the motion to approve the recommendation contingent to review, , research and revise the language. A. Schleuning second the motion. Pass unanimously 8 – 0. A. Gonzales not present.

7. Approve a recommendation from the Veterans Parade group regarding a planning partnership between the Austin Veterans Parade Foundation and the City of Austin.

The Commission will hold off from voting on this recommendation. The Commission will reach out to the nonprofit to speak at a future meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Discuss and identify the veteran Events in the City of Austin
- Possible discussion of a new meeting location
- Discuss and identify nonprofits to speak about Veteran services at future meetings

ADJOURNMENT

END: 8:06

Chair C. Wilson made the motion to adjourn. P. Bissett second the motion. Pass unanimously 8 – 0. A. Gonzales not present.

The minutes were approved on the August 16, 2023 Board Meeting by Chair, Christopher Wilson motion, Kevin Lenau second on a 6-0 vote. W. Dahlstrom, C. Wyman, M. Balch were absent.

