



**REGULAR MEETING of the  
HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY-OF-LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION  
OCTOBER 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:30pm  
CITY HALL - BOARDS & COMMISSIONS RM #1101  
301 W 2ND ST, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701  
**MEETING AGENDA****

This meeting is being held in a hybrid format, and some members of the Commission may be participating by videoconference. Public comment will be allowed in-person or via telephone. Remote speakers must register in advance (October 23<sup>rd</sup> by 12pm-Noon). All public comments will occur at the beginning of the meeting and public speakers will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. To speak or attend remotely, residents must contact the Equity Office's Community Services Program Coordinator, Alejandra Mireles, no later than 12pm-noon on Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. Please telephone call & leave a voicemail at (512) 974-8045 or email [alejandra.mireles@austintexas.gov](mailto:alejandra.mireles@austintexas.gov). The information required is the speaker's name, the item number(s) they wish to speak on, whether they are for/against/neutral, email address, and telephone number (must be the same number that will be used to call into the meeting).

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

District	Commissioner	District	Commissioner
1	Daniela Silva	7	Sharon Vigil
2	Amanda Afifi (Chair)	8	Jesus Perales
3	Vanessa Maldonado	9	Leonor Vargas
4	Ivanna Neri (Vice-Chair)	10	Dulce Castañeda
5	VACANT	Mayor	Eliza May
6	VACANT		

## **MEETING AGENDA**

### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first ten speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the COMMISSION’S REGULAR MEETING on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

### **STAFF BRIEFING**

2. City of Austin Resilience Officer – Staff Presentation on the new Resiliency Plan – How can the community be involved in that process. Resilience Austin Blueprint. (September or October) Oriana Lopez.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

3. Discussion on the FY25 Budget recommendation cycle and report back from the Joint Inclusion Budget Workshop with department leadership hosted on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023; with reminders about the Budget Town Halls in October & November; and possible discussion on the community investment budget.
4. Discussion on site visit to Gus Garcia Recreation center and feedback on the available city senior services in Northeast Austin.
5. Discussion upcoming JIC budget workshops: October 18<sup>th</sup>, October 24<sup>th</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Please try to bring 2 community members. Interpretation services will be provided in Spanish, Vietnamese, and Mandarin.
6. Discussion on commissioner joining [Austin Resource Planning Group](#) (Sponsored by Commissioner Silva)

### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

7. Discussion and possible action to affirm on Hispanic/Latino Quality-of-Life Resource Advisory Commission regular meeting dates for 2024.
8. Discussion and possible action to pass a recommendation to City Council on hiring for interim and vacant leadership positions.
9. Discussion and possible action to establish an Arts & Culture Working Group, including discussion on hosting a community listening session.
10. Review and discuss the scope of all current working groups and possible action to update membership.

### **WORKING GROUPS/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

11. Budget & Policy Priorities Workgroup – updates from the last workgroup meeting on issues related to the FY23-24 and policy matters pertaining to their assignment (Budget & Policy Priorities Workgroup Members: *Commissioners Amanda Afifi, Sharon Vigil, Jesus Perales, Dulce Castañeda, and Leonor Vargas*).
12. Language Access Workgroup – Updates on the newly formed workgroup on issues pertaining to their assignment (Language Access Workgroup Members: *Amanda Afifi, Dulce Castaneda, Vanessa Maldonado, Daniela Silva, & Hector Ordaz*)
13. Public Safety & Immigrant Affairs Workgroup – Updates from the workgroup on issues pertaining to their assignment (Public Safety & Immigrant Affairs Workgroup Members: *Dulce Castaneda, Leonor Vargas, & Sharon Vigil*).
14. Quality-of-Life Studies Workgroup – related to planning for Quality-of-Life study process and collaboration with other commissions (QoL Study Workgroup Members: *Amanda Afifi, Sharon Vigil, & Jesus Perales*)
15. Joint Inclusion Committee (JIC) – General update and discussion on the coalition building work of the Committee. (JIC Primary & Alternate Representatives: *Amanda Afifi & Ivanna Neri*)

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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For more information on the **Hispanic/Latino Quality-of-Life Resource Advisory Commission**, please contact Alejandra Mireles at (512) 974-8045 or (preferably) via email at [alejandra.mireles@austintexas.gov](mailto:alejandra.mireles@austintexas.gov).