



***Commission for Women***

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

***Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023***

**The Commission for Women convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, October 4<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 12:08 p.m.**

**Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance:**

*Diana Melendez, Chair*

*Katrina Scheihing*

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

*Jocelyn Tau, Vice Chair*

*Becky Bullard*

*Julie Glasser*

*Pam Rattan*

*Vanessa Bissereth*

**Board Members/Commissioners Absent:**

*Rebecca Austen*

*Josephine Serrata*

*Maria Veloz Salas*

**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 September 6, 2023. **The minutes from the meeting of (09/06/2023) were approved as noted, Commissioner Rattan made the motion for approval, Commissioner Glasser seconded on a (7-0) vote. Commissioners Austen, Salas and Serrata were absent from the meeting.**

## **DISCUSSION**

2. Welcome Commissioner Katrina Scheihing, District 1  
**Discussion was held.**
3. Presentation: Overview of the City of Austin's Budget Allocation for Assault Reform, Kachina Clark and Hanna Senko, Austin and Chris Vallejo, Austin Police Department  
**Discussion was held.**
4. Discussion regarding Joint Inclusion Committee Meeting Minutes and Updates  
**Discussion was held.**

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

5. Discussion and possible action to approve Women's Hall of Fame Recognition Plan  
**Discussion was held. No action was taken.**

## **WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

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

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Vote to add newly appointed Commissioners to CFW's working groups.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Melendez adjourned the meeting at 1:22p.m. without objection.

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**The minutes from the meeting were approved at the November 1, 2023, meeting on Commissioner's Scheihing motion, Commissioner Glasser seconded on a (6-0) vote. Commissioners Austen and Serrata were absent for the vote. Commissioners Rattan and Tau were from the meeting.**