



**REGULAR MEETING of the**  
**LGBTQ QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**Monday, October 2, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.**  
**City of Austin Permitting and Development Center, Room 1401**  
**6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr., Austin, Texas 78752**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

Some members of the Commission may be participating by videoconference.

Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once, either in-person or remotely, and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, contact Alyssa Parra, the Commission’s staff liaison, at 512-974-2934 or [Alyssa.Parra@AustinTexas.gov](mailto:Alyssa.Parra@AustinTexas.gov).

**CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:**

<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Appointment</i>	<i>Commissioner</i>	<i>Appointment</i>
Jaryn Holbrook Janeway, Chair	Stakeholder		
Dereca Sims	District 1	VACANT	District 8
Christian Aguirre	District 2	Mariana Krueger	District 9
TK Karakashian	District 3	Brandon Wollerson	District 10
Darcy Rendon	District 4	Marti Bier	Mayor
Emily Bush	District 5	Charles Curry	Stakeholder
David Garza	District 6	Dr. Melissa Taylor	Stakeholder
J. Scott Neal, Vice Chair	District 7	Morgan Davis	Stakeholder

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Holbrook Janeway called to order at 7:12 PM

**ROLL CALL:**

***Absent:***

- Darcy Rendon
- Tanya Karakashian



- Emily Bush
- Melissa Taylor

***Present:***

- Jaryn Holbrook Janeway
- Christian Aguirre
- Marti Bier
- Charles Curry
- Morgan Davis
- Brandon Wollerson
- David Garza
- Dereca Sims
- Mariana Krueger
- John Scott Neal

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

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

1. Jeremy G.- Joint Inclusion Commission
2. Era S.- In support of Austin Trans Sanctuary City
3. Artemis- In support of Austin Trans Sanctuary City
4. Loren- In support of Austin Trans Sanctuary City
5. Jennifer- In support of Austin Trans Sanctuary City

**MOTION TO SUSPEND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER**

Motioned by Krueger, Seconded by Neal, passed unanimously by roll call vote with Commissioner Garza abstaining.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approved the minutes of the Commission's Regular Meeting on September 9, 2023, as amended.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

2. Discussion and possible action on the FY24 Commission's regular meeting schedule, tabled until next meeting. Security concerns, Liaison to inquire about increased security.
3. Discussion on a recommendation to City Council to make Austin a Transgender & Non-Binary Sanctuary City.  
Motion by Wollerson, Second by Krueger, passed by unanimous roll call vote, with Commissioner Garza abstaining.  
Commissioner Neal inquired if he needed to abstain from this item, Confirmed he did not.



4. Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of new Quality of Life Commission representatives tabled until the next meeting.
5. No updates from Increasing Community Input Working Group.
6. Discussion from the Housing Working Group, commissioner curry presented final report from working group.
7. Discussion from the SOGI+ Data Working Group.
8. Discussion from the new commissioner Working Group.
9. Discussion on New Chair Election. Duties include creating the agenda, annual report, attending all meetings, orient new members, budget duties like meetings & recommendations, significant amount email.  
  
Motion by Garza, second by Wollerson to nominate Neal as chair. Passed unanimously with Commissioner Neal Abstaining and Commissioner Bier off the dais.
10. Discussion and possible action on new Stakeholder positions, tabled until next meeting.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

#### Working Groups

Community Input Working Group

SOGI+ Data Working Group

Housing Working Group

New commissioner Working Group

Recommendation for Commissioner for District 8 & Stakeholder positions

#### Vice Chair Election

Meeting Schedule for

LGBTQ Community Culture Center (possibly working group)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The chair adjourned at 9:01 PM.

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Minutes Approved at the November 13, 2023 Commission Meeting.