

# REGULAR MEETING of the COMMISSION ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS FEBRURARY 5, 2024 AT 6:30PM AUSTIN CITY HALL 301 WEST 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET ROOM 1101 AUSTIN, TEXAS

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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, call or email Gunjen Mittal, 512-972-6104, gunjen.mittal@austintexas.gov.

## **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS:**

Melissa Ortega, Chair Jose Caceres Aditi Joshi Adnan Suleiman Victor Martinez, Vice Chair Adrian De La Rosa Rennison Lalgee Virginia Badillo Fang Fang Anjum Malik

## **AGENDA**

## CALL TO ORDER

# **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 10 speakers signed up 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 ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS REGULAR MEETING on 8/7/2023.
- 2. Approve the minutes of the COMMISSION ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS REGULAR MEETING on 11/6/2023.

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# **STAFF BRIEFINGS**

3. Overview of Certified Welcoming, the application process, and our current status with respect to that work: Presentation by Rocio Villalobos.

# **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 4. Introduction and welcome of new Commissioners.
- 5. Presentation by American Gateways regarding updates on their work in the community.
- 6. Presentation by Commissioner Muneeb Aslam from Human Rights Commission regarding their recommendation to City Council on a Cease Fire Resolution.
- 7. Review and discuss the scope and membership updates of the Budget and the Quality of Life Study working groups.

# **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- 8. Discussion and possible action on approval of recommendation on Combating Antisemitism, Islamophobia, and Anti-Arab Sentiments in the City of Austin and promoting a peaceful resolution for all.
- 9. Discussion and possible action on planning the Commission's retreat and confirm dates in the upcoming months.

# **WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- 10. Update from BUDGET WORKING GROUP regarding budget recommendations for FY25 (Commissioners Melissa Ortega and Adnan Suleiman).
- 11. Update from QUALITY OF LIFE STUDY WORKING GROUP regarding recommendations (Commissioner Victor Martinez).

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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