

REGULAR MEETING of the COMMISSION ON VETERAN AFFAIRS Wednesday, March 20, 2024 7:00 PM – Adjournment

City of Austin Permitting & Development Center 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr., Room 1406 Austin, TX 78752

Some members of the Commission on Veteran Affairs may be participating by videoconference. Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely by 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 comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation. To register, email the board liaison at Jesus. Simental@austintexas.gov

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:

Christopher "Cam" Wilson, Chair Kevin Lenau, Vice Chair William Dahlstrom Maria Brown-Spence Armando Gonzales Curtis Wyman Amber Schleuning Patrick Bissett Mark Balch Philip Reichert Michael Mcinerney

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Commission on Veteran Affairs Regular Meeting of February 21, 2024.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2. Discussion from Commissioner Marc Balch on his talk with the Veterans Administration on what they are doing for veteran outreach and solicit them to speak at the Veterans Affairs Commission meeting.
- 3. Discussion on results and findings from Commissioner Maria Brown-Spence on a list of nonprofits from I Live Here I Give Here Amplify Austin nonprofit.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 4. Discussion and vote on resubmitting request for study to understand real-world needs of Travis County-based veterans.
- 5. Discussion and vote on joining the Joint Inclusion Committee.
- 6. Discussion, amend, and vote on resubmitting a recommendation to create a department of Veteran Affairs and Military Affairs.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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