

Regular Called Meeting of the Economic Prosperity Commission Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 6:30pm City Hall, Boards & Commissions Room 1101 301 W. 2nd Street Austin, Texas

Some members of the Economic Prosperity Commission may be participating by videoconference. Audio is recorded.

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 Cesar Garza and Stephanie Calderon at the Economic Development Department: cesar.garza@austintexas.gov and stephanie.calderon@austintexas.gov or 512-974-8055 (Cesar Garza).

CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS:

Laura Dixon, Mayor (Watson) Christiana Ponder, District 1 (Harper-Madison) Benjamin Salazar, District 2 (Fuentes) Raquel Valdez Sanchez, District 3 (Velasquez) Michael Nahas, Vice Chair, District 4 (Vela) Rodrigo Cantu, District 5 (R. Alter) Vacant, District 6 (Kelly) Amy Noel, District 7 (Pool) Luis Osta Lugo, District 8 (Ellis) Vacant, District 9 (Qadri) Kelsey Hitchingham, Chair, District 10 (A. Alter)

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 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 Economic Prosperity Commission Regular Meeting on March 20, 2024.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 2. Discuss and approve the commission's potential recommendations to City Council for the City's FY 2024-2025 budget. Drafts of these recommendations were introduced at the commission's March 20, 2024 meeting; however, due to a loss of quorum during the meeting, the commission did not take action on any recommendation.
- 3. Conduct officer elections for Chair and Vice Chair for one-year terms of office from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. Presentation by Michael Ward Jr. on Austin Urban Technology Movement's tech ecosystem that eliminates poverty through expanding technology skills, apprenticeships, digital equity, workforce development, and job placement assistance in our society.

WORKING GROUP/COMMITTEE UPDATES

5. Updates from the Jobs, Procurement, and Infrastructure working groups on the established focus and current findings of each group.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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