



**COMMISSION ON IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS  
RECOMMENDATION NUMBER (20240408-014)**

**Recommendation to fund a Quality of Life Study of the immigrant communities in Austin**

Whereas, the Commission on Immigrant Affairs was established through Ordinance No. 20171214-043 to advise the city council on matters of common concern to immigrants, and

Whereas, a Quality of Life study of immigrant residents of Austin has never been done, and

Whereas, out of the almost 1 million Austin residents, one out of five is foreign born, and

Whereas, the Austin metro area has been the fastest growing area in the United States for the past 12 years in a row, and

Whereas, the city of Austin is continuously planning on how to address the needs of residents regarding housing affordability, transit and transportation, access to schools and healthcare, and that these plans must consider demographic shifts in Austin, and

Whereas, having data on the needs of the immigrant residents of Austin will allow this commission to make better recommendations to Council, and

Whereas, this data will allow City of Austin staff to include the 20% of its residents who are foreign born in their comprehensive planning.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Commission on Immigrant Affairs requests that City Council fund a Quality of Life Study for Immigrant Residents of Austin in the amount of \$250,000, comparably to other Quality of Life Studies funded in the past few years.

Date of Approval:

Record of the vote:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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