



**AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026**

The African American Resource Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at the Permitting and Development Center Room 1406.

Commissioner Parsons called the African American Resource Advisory Commission Meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Daryl Horton, *Chair*
Dr. Chiquita Eugene, *Vice Chair*
Roger Davis
Sophia Dozier
Justin Parsons
Emmy Weisberg

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Alexandria Anderson
Joi Harden
Kyron Hayes
Mueni Rudd
Greg Smith

Commissioners Absent:

Antony Jackson
Nelson Linder
Kenneth Loyde
Antonio Ross

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Approve the minutes of the African American Resource Advisory Commission regular meeting on December 2, 2025.

The minutes from the meeting of December 2, 2025, were approved on Commissioner Weisberg’s motion, Commissioner Dozier’s second on a 9-0 vote. Chair Horton and Vice Chair Eugene were off the dais. Commissioners Jackson, Linder, Loyde, and Ross were absent.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

- 2. Staff briefing regarding the African American Cultural Heritage District Strategic Plan by Matthew Schmidt, Division Manager, Austin Economic Development, and Mend Collaborative.

The presentation was made by Matthew Schmidt, Division Manager, Austin Economic Development and C Terrance Anderson, Mend Collaborative.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 3. Presentation from Dr. Obiageli Chukwuneke, President, Career Research Learning and Development Institute (CARLDI) regarding CARLDI’s priorities and programmatic goals.

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- 4. Discussion regarding the African American Resource Advisory Commission officer elections, officer duties and potential interest in becoming an officer.

Discussed. List of roles and role responsibilities to be sent to commissioners.

- 5. Discussion regarding updates on the progress of finding a facility for Mission Accomplished and next steps in writing a recommendation to Council regarding Mission Accomplished as a budget priority for FY27.

Discussed.

- 6. Discussion regarding the creation of a mobilization unit for voter registration and transport to the polls for the upcoming elections.

Discussed.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- 7. Approve the addition of new members to the Budget Working Group.

The motion to add Chair Horton, and Commissioners Davis and Dozier to the Budget Working Group was approved on Vice Chair Eugene’s motion, Commissioner Parsons’ motion on a 11-0 vote. Commissioners Jackson, Linder, Loyde, and Ross were absent.

Current membership on the Budget Working Group is Chair Horton and Commissioners Anderson, Davis, Dozier, and Parsons.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion on who is appointed to the Mend Collective Committee for Six Square and 1618 Development Project

Discussion on Bylaws Update

Human Rights Resource Guide Feedback Survey

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. was approved on Commissioner Smith's motion, Commissioner Dozier's second without objection.

The minutes were approved at the DATE meeting on BOARD MEMBER's motion, BOARD MEMBER second on a (vote count) vote.

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