

# **HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

Monday, April 25, 2011 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers & Room 1027 First Floor, 301 West Second Street Austin 78701

The Human Rights Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting, beginning in Council Chambers from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm and continuing in Room 1027 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Both portions of the meeting are open to the public. For more information, contact Yamile Ortiz, Adm. Support, at 974-3250.

# **CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

Judy Cortez, ChairTom DavisDelia MeyerElizabeth BrennerDeWayne LoftonPaul Rhea

## **REVISED AGENDA**

### CALL TO ORDER

## 1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Citizens 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.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Presentation of Mr. Wayne Krause, *Attorney for Marcus Marshall, Complainant* who appeared before the Commission at our September 2010 meeting, to speak to the Commission regarding his thoughts on the hearing process. (Brenner/Cortez)
- b. Presentation, discussion and action on April 18th hate crime. Presentation by Jackie Wood or Rosemary Lehmberg, District Attorney, Karen Gross, Anti-Defamation League-Hate Crimes Task force, Candice Towe, Out Youth, Executive Director. (Rhea/Cortez)
- c. Update and discussion of proposed resolution to City Council in support the victims of Japan. (Rhea/Cortez)

- d. Discussion on Emergency Election for Vice Chair and a possible action. (Cortez/Davis)
- e. Presentation, discussion and action of proposed resolution to City Council in support Benton Harbor Resolution. (Cortez/Davis)

**Meeting continues in Room # 1027** 

<u>6:30 pm to 8:00 pm Commissioners will meet in the Meeting Room No. 1027 for a Non-voting</u> Work Session

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on working Committees, discussion on the Sheraton Hotel and LBJ Library Contracts, and other areas of responsibility for the 2011 International Association of Official Human Rights Agency (IAOHRA) Conference in Austin.
- b. Discussion on the Annual Work Plan and its priority value.

## 5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

Equal Employment Fair Housing Office (EE/FHO) Updates by Tony Robertson, Administrator.

#### 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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For more information on the Human Rights Commission, please contact Yamile M. Ortiz, at 974-3250.