



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Monday October 22, 2012

5:30 – 6:30 pm in City Hall Council Chambers

6:30 – 7:30 pm in Room 1027

First Floor, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX 78701

Chair Tom Davis called the Board Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Tom Davis, Chair
Paul Rhea, Vice Chair
DeWayne Lofton
George Reynolds

Human Resources Staff Present:

Rose Xavier, EE/FHO Staff Liaison
Enrique Serrano, EE/FHO Investigator Sr.

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the September 24, 2012, meeting were approved; Commissioner Rhea motion, Commissioner Loftin seconded on a 4-0 vote.

3. OLD BUSINESS

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Election of officers for FY 2012 – 13; Paul Rhea was elected Chair and George Reynolds was elected Vice Chair, both by unanimous vote.
- b. The Commission approved the same meeting schedule, fourth Monday of every month, to continue in FY 2012-13.

5. STATUS OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

6. STAFF BRIEFING

- Enrique Serrano, Investigator Sr., EE/FHO has started working on the LGBT grant with outreach and partnerships. Currently, Austin Tenants' Council is recruiting testers to mystery shop existing rental properties in Austin.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Presentation Austin/Travis County Hate Crimes Task Force, on their efforts to address Hate Crimes in the community.
- b. Presentation by Judicial Task Force on the current progress for 2012.
- c. Presentation from Austin Heritage Council about the 2013 Austin MLK Day Celebration on January 21, 2013.
- d. Presentation on recognizing December 10, 2012 as United Nations' (UN) Human Rights Day.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Delia Meyer will no longer be serving on the Commission, her term has expired.

ADJOURN

Chair Tom Davis adjourned the meeting at 5:42 PM without objection.