



Annual Internal Review

This report covers the time period of 1/1/2014 to 12/31/14

African American Resource Advisory Commission

The Board/Commission mission statement is:

To advise the city council on issues relating to the quality of life for the city's African American community and shall recommend programs designed to alleviate any inequities that may confront African Americans in social, economic and vocational pursuits, including: health care; housing, including affordable housing, home ownership and homelessness; entertainment opportunities for professionals and students; employment; and cultural venues, including museums, theaters, art galleries and music venues.

- 1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.**

The African American Resource Advisory Commission sent four recommendations to the City Council during the time period of the report. These recommendations covered the following:

- 20140423-05 supported the recommendation from the Human Rights Commission identifying \$15,000,000 in unmet needs in the African American community
- 20140806-004 supported a request to the City Council to provide \$350,000 in financial over 3 years to CARDEA and the Texas Black Women's Initiative-Austin for HIV/AIDS education and prevention

Due to the broad nature of the Commission's mission statement they are unable to address all issues every year.

2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

The Board's actions comply with the mission statement.

3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

The Board will work on the following in the 6 months until their terms end:

- Small business and parking issues in the 11th & 12th Streets area
- Economic disparities in the community
- Expansion of the Carver Museum and Cultural Center