



Commission on Immigrant Affairs

Monday, June 8, 2015, 6:30 PM

Austin City Hall, Executive Session Room #1027

301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas, 78701

Approved Regular Meeting Minutes

The Commission on Immigrant Affairs convened a regular meeting on Monday, June 8, 2015, at City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street, Executive Session, Room #1027, Austin, Texas.

<i>Members Present</i>	<i>Members Absent</i>
<i>Angela-Jo Touza-Medina, Chair</i>	<i>Julius Okelo</i>
<i>Mark Hand, Co-Chair</i>	<i>Pranav Parekh</i>
<i>Peter Shen</i>	
<i>Sandra Molinari</i>	
<i>Nancy Lobato</i>	

Liaison: Connie H. Gonzales

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Angela-Jo Touza-Medina called meeting to order at 6:35pm
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:**
 - Austin French Public School – (written report forthcoming)
 - Help for the International School (written report forthcoming)
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - Co-Chair Mark Hand made a motion to accept the March and April minutes.
 - March & April minutes approved on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Julius Okelo and Pranav Parekh absent.
- 4. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**
 - A. UAC's – Immigrant Services Network of Austin Update –Recommendation**
 - Commissioner Sandra Molinari made a motion to approve Recommendation number: 20150608-004A.
 - Recommendation number: 20150608-004A approved on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Julius Okelo and Pranav Parekh absent. Chairperson Ángela-Jo Touza-Medina recused herself due to a conflict of interest.

B. City of Austin 2015 Budget Presentation

C. Commission on Immigrant Affairs Budget Request – Recommendation 20150608-004C

- Commissioner Sandra Molinari made a motion to approve Recommendation 20150608-004C
- Commissioner Nancy L. Lobato seconded the motion.
- Recommendation 20150608-005A was approved on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Julius Okelo and Pranav Parekh absent.

5. OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

A. Follow up on National Heritage Month – Recommendation 20150608-005A

- Co-Chair Mark Hand made a motion to approve Recommendation 20150608-005A
- Commissioner Nancy L. Lobato seconded the motion.
- Recommendation 20150608-005A was approved on a 5-0 vote with Commissioner Julius Okelo absent.

B. Austin Welcoming City Initiative Update

- Board conducted interviews with 5 elected City officials and 3 county officials.
- Report highlights will be announced at a press conference on June 29th at City Hall 9am-11am
- Final report will be presented to new Commission on Immigrant Affairs.

C. Cities United for Immigration Action- Update

- Stephanie Hayden, Assistant Director of HHSD is the point of contact for this initiative.

D. Texas Legislative Session – Update provided by Matt Simpson, ACLU Texas

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM:

8. ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm by Chairperson Angela-Jo Touza-Medina

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