

Commission on Immigrant Affairs

Regular Monthly Meeting Monday, December 12, 2016 6:30 PM Austin City Hall, Executive Session Room #1027 301 W 2nd Street, Austin, Texas, 78701

Approved Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

The Commission on Immigrant Affairs convened in a regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 12, 2016 at City Hall, Executive Session, First floor in room 1027, 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in Attendance:

Angela-Jo Touza-Medina, *Chair*Karen Crawford

Nicole Merritt

Piper Nelson

Elisse Jean-Pierre

Glenn Rosales

David Vandenberg

Pedro Villalobos

Board Members not in Attendance:

Alba Sereno, *Vice-Chair* Rosalia Austin Krystal Gomez

Staff in Attendance:

Connie H. Gonzales, COA HHSD

- 1. CALL TO ORDER Angela-Jo Touza Medina, Chair called the Board Meeting to order at 6:38 pm
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION None
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November, 2016
 - Commissioner Piper Nelson motioned to accept the minutes.
 - Commissioner Glenn Rosales seconded the motion.
 - Motion passed 7-0 with Commissioners Alba Sereno, Rosalia Austin, and Krystal Gomez absent.
- 4. NEW BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:
- 5. OLD BUSINESS: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

- A. Code Next Paul Diguiseppe and Darrick Nicholas Tabled until January meeting
- **B. Vision Zero** Commissioner Karen Crawford presented the recommendation

6. STANDING ITEMS

A. Welcoming City Workgroups

- Public Safety/Commissioner Karen Crawford: shared concerns with the APD U Visa certifications Statue of Limitations. Commission to submit a recommendation Tabled for January meeting
- Chair, Angela-Jo Touza Medina recommended that board members focus on three of the five topics: Public Safety, Children in Schools, and Civic Engagement. Board members to recommit – (written report forthcoming)

B. Commission Election Response/Prep for new Presidential Administration Update:

- Collaborate with community groups to inform the immigrant communities of "Know Your Rights"
- Invite Immigrant Rights Groups e.g. Texas Here to Stay, Forward U.S., Trust
- Commissioner Alba Sereno making arrangement for January meeting in district 4.
- Commissioner to create press release to announce board meetings and new initiative

C. Cities United for Immigration Action Update:

• Commissioner Elisse Jean-Pierre to participate in monthly calls and present updates to commission

D. Joint Inclusion Commission Update:

• Next meeting in January

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Immigrant Services Network of Austin having next meeting on 12-14-16 @ YWCA
- Know your Rights session on 12-17-16 @ El Buen Samaritano 11am-4pm

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

- Invite APD Acting Chief of Police, Brian Manley to January meeting
- Invite AISD Superintendent, Dr. Paul Cruz to February meeting
- Enforcement to Immigrant Law S.B. 4
- Suggested general policy position Commissioner Pedro Villalobos
- Mission statement for work groups

9. ADJOURNMENT

- Commissioner David Vandenberg motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:20 pm
- Commissioner Glenn Rosales seconded
- Approved on a 7-0 vote

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