



**LGBTQ Quality of Life Advisory Commission
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, August 15, 2017**

The LGBTQ Quality of Life Advisory Commission convened for its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, August 15, 2017, at Austin City Hall in Austin, Texas.

Commissioner Buls called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Kannou (Kimberly) Curette, Sandra Chavez, Paula Buls, Ruben Baeza, Kelly Estrella, Deirdre Doughty, Danielle Skidmore, Brandon Wollerson, Brittany Kitchens, Tarik Daniels, Charles Curry, Kathryn Gonzales

Commissioners Absent: Martinez (Excused), Azhar

Staff in Attendance: Sara Hensley, Charles Loosen

1. Citizen Communication

2. Minutes of the July 25, 2017 Regular Meeting

Motion to adopt as written was made by Commissioner Buls, seconded by Commissioner Azhar, and approved unanimously.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a.** Commissioners crafted language to formally recommend a budget allocation to conduct a study to evaluate the quality of life status of Austin's LGBTQ residents and communities. The recommendation was motioned for adoption by Commissioner Chavez, Seconded by Commissioner Wollerson, and approved unanimously.
- b.** Texas Health Action presented on HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and the organization's two clinic locations (Kind Clinic) where PrEP, PeP, and other health care services are delivered.
- c.** Led by Commissioner Gonzales, the Commission crafted language to formally recommend a budget allocation for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) access services. The recommendation was motioned for adoption by Commissioner Gonzales, Seconded by Commissioner Doughty, and approved with abstentions by Commissioners Wollerson and Chavez.
- d.** Barry Waller, representing the LGBT Coalition on Aging (LGBTCOA) presented to the Commission on the Coalition's work and the importance of services to seniors.
- e.** Led by Commissioner Buls, the Commission crafted language to formally guide the Austin City Council on matters of importance to LGBTQ residents and communities, particularly related to State of Texas legislative agendas. Commissioner Skidmore motioned for adoption, Commissioner Gonzales seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a.** Commission Gonzales requested an invitation be extended to representative(s) of QWELL to present to the Commission at a future date. The request was seconded by Commissioner Doughty.

5. ADJOURN

Adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. without objection.