

#### COMMISSION ON VETERANS AFFAIRS REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. 505 Barton Springs Rd 13<sup>th</sup> Floor – Directors Conference Room Austin, TX 78704

## AGENDA

#### **COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Jason Denny (Chair) Ann Kitchen (5) Pete Salazar (Vice Chair) Leslie Pool: (7) Alfred Bingham –Natasha Harper-Madison: (1) Elisbeth Collura-Rosenberg – Kathie Tovo: (9) Chris Ehlinger – Alison Alter: (10) Vacant – Greg Casar Josephine Hinds – Jimmy Flannigan: (6) Adrenne Mendoza – Delia Garza: (2) Manuel Jimenez – Sabino Renteria: (3) Thomas Just – Paige Ellis: (8) Doris Williams – Mayor Steve Adler

# CALL TO ORDER

## **1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

The speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address items not posted on the agenda.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the minutes from the Commission on Veterans Affairs Special Called meeting on January 16, 2019

## 3. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Update and status of the Community/Municipal Veterans Court
- b) Continued discussion and amendment of the FY 17 Commission on Veteran Affairs annual report.
- c) Discussion on the Commission on Veteran Affairs work groups

## 4. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Presentation on the SSVF program from Caritas.
- b) Discussion on a City of Austin, Texas Workforce Commission, Texas Veterans Commission and County Career and Benefits Fair

- c) Presentation and overview of the 2019-2020 budget process from the City of Austin Budget office.
- d) Presentation from YWCA regarding services for women veterans and their programs
- e) Action item: Resolution / Recommendation for the Council to waive all City fees for AVAFEST

#### 5. STAFF UPDATES

- a) Veteran's Resource Center
- b) Carry the Load May 22
- c) Memorial Day Ceremony May 23

## 6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

#### ADJOURNMENT

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Please call Allen Bergeron at the Veterans Program Department at 512-974-3459 or Allen.Bergeron@austintexas.gov for additional information; TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711.

For more information on the Veterans Commission, please contact Tina Lee at 512-974-3306 or visit <u>http://www.austintexas.gov/content/commission-veterans-affairs-1</u>