



**COMMISSION ON SENIOR
MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 2020**

The Commission on Seniors convened a Regular Meeting at Austin City Hall, Boards and Commissions Room, 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair, *Janee Briesemeister*, Vice Chair, *Peter Varteressian*, *Adam Hauser*, *Amy Temperley*, *Diana Spain*, *Emily De Maria Nicola*, *Erica Garcia-Pittman*, *Jacqueline Angel*, *Karen Grampp*, *Martin Kareithi*, *Natalie Cagle*, *Sally Van Sickle*, *Patricia Bordie*.

Board Members not in Attendance: *Billy Jackson and Fred Lugo*.

Staff in Attendance: *Tabitha Taylor*, Age Friendly Plan Program Coordinator, Austin Public Health and *Halana Kaleel*, Public Health Educator II, Austin Public Health

Presenters: *None*.

Chair, Janee Briesemeister called the Board Meeting to order at 12:08 p.m. The Commission introduced themselves.

I. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- A. Charles Curry, comment on Property Tax Exemptions.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE COMMISSION ON SENIORS DECEMBER 11TH, 2019 MEETING

- A. The minutes for the regular meeting of December 11th were approved with discussed minor edits on Vice Chair, Varteressian motion, Commissioner Cagle second on a 13-0 vote. Commissioners Jackson and Lugo were absent.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Welcome Commissioner Temperley, District 1.
 - i. New Commissioner representing District 1, Amy Temperley introduced herself. She is a current member of the Aging Services Council as well as the owner of Aging Is Cool.
- B. Commissioner Grampp will attend the budget meeting for the LGBTQ Quality of Life Commission.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Finalize Age Friendly Austin Community Engagement Survey
 - i. Recommendation adopting the Age Friendly Austin Community Engagement Survey was approved with discussed changes on Commissioner Van Sickle

motion, Commissioner Grampp second on a 13-0 vote. Commissioners Jackson and Lugo were absent.

V. DISCUSSION

- A. Update and Discussion on Interdepartmental Age-Friendly Action Plan Meeting.
 - i. Support Staff Tabitha Taylor provided an update and recap of the Interdepartmental Age Friendly Action Plan Meeting January 7th, 2020.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Commission Work Plan – Standing Item
 - i. No discussion currently.
- B. Updates from Working Groups – Standing Item
 - i. Age Friendly Action Plan Implementation Working Group
 - No discussion currently.
 - ii. Transportation, Housing and Outdoor Spaces Working Group
 - No discussion currently.
 - iii. Social Participation, Respect and Social Inclusion, Civic Participation and Employment Working Group
 - No discussion currently.
 - iv. Community Support and Health Services Working Group
 - No discussion currently.
- C. Update on Joint Inclusion Committee – Standing Item (Janee Briesmeister)
 - i. Update was provided on the Senior Tax Resolution.
 - Follow up will be done with Neighborhood Housing on this Resolution.
- D. City of Austin Budget – Standing Item (Janee Briesmeister)
 - i. See item 4.A.
- E. Update on the Equity Action Team – Standing Item (Emily De Maria Nicola)
 - i. No discussion currently.

VII. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- A. Update on FY20 Budget Community Engagement Meetings.
 - i. The Commission on Seniors Budget Forum Meeting will take place February 4th at the Gus Garcia Recreation Center from 1-3pm.
- B. February 2020 Regular Meeting for the Commission on Seniors will need to be held away from City Hall due to meetings for Land Development Code.
 - i. Support Staff will secure alternate location.

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Suggested agenda items for FY20.
 - i. No discussion currently.
- B. Presentation Request from David Crabb, City of Austin Parks and Recreation, February 2020.
- C. Joint Meeting with the Mayors Committee on Disabilities will occur February 14th at City Hall.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Chair, Janee Briesemeister adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m. without objection.