



**ASIAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION (AAQOLAC)  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020**

The AAQOLAC convened in a regular meeting on Friday, September 18, 2020

Chair Yoshida called the Commission Meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

**Commission Members in Attendance:**

Vince Cobalis, Sarah Chen, Kirk Yoshida, Nguyen Stanton, Hanna Huang, Ketan Patel, Shubhada Saxena, Peter Chao, and Debasree DasGupta

**Staff in Attendance:**

Rey Arellano, Assistant City Manager

Brie L. Franco, Intergovernmental Relations Officer

Adrienne Sturup, Assistant Director (Austin Public Health)

Chris Riley, Financial Manager (Austin Public Health)

Joshua Robinson, Interim Senior Executive Assistant (Office of the City Manager)

Cristina Tangredi, Community Engagement Specialist (Office of Police Oversight)

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:**

N/A

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Commission moved to approve minutes from AAQOLAC meeting on February 18, 2020 and August 17, 2020 with minor edits. Commissioner Cobalis made the motion. Commissioner Chen seconded. Vote was 9-0. The Commission did not take action on the minutes from the July 22, 2020 meeting.

**2. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Workgroup Reports:

1. Asian American Resource Center (AARC) Workgroup: Update provided in the backup documents.
2. Health and Community Engagement Workgroup: No update provided.
3. Arts and Culture Workgroup: No update provided
4. Human Resources Workgroup: No update provided
5. Business Planning Workgroup: No update provided

b. Update on the Joint Inclusion Committee August 26, 2020 Meeting (Commissioner Stanton)

c. Follow-up Items:

1. Update on AARC Masterplan: No update provided
2. Update on Equity Mini-Grant application: No update provided

### **3. STAFF BRIEFING**

- a. Analysis of the Austin Police Department's Racial Profiling Data Joint Report and update on the new Community Police Review Commission - Community Engagement Specialist Cristina Tangredi provided an update over APD's Racial Profiling Data Joint Report and the Community Police Review Commission.
- b. Austin Public Health FY2021 Budget (Adrienne Sturup) – Assistant Director Adrienne Sturup and Financial Manager Chris Riley provided an updated over the Austin Public Health FY2021 Budget and New Investments in FY2021.
- c. State Legislative Update (Brie Franco) –Intergovernmental Relations Officer Brie L. Franco provided an overview of the 87th State Legislative Agenda.
- d. Update on the City-Community Reimagining Public Safety Task Force (Rey Arellano) – Assistant City Manager Rey Arellano provided an overview of FY2021 Reimagining Public Safety APD Budget Reductions/Reinvestments.

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Update on the Commission Policing/Public Safety Project (TBD) – Commission did not take action.
- b. Discussion and possible action in support of the African American Resource Advisory Commission (AARAC) recommendations to the City Council on racial equity, African American cultural space investment, and the African American Cultural Heritage District.
  - Commissioner Huang moved to support African American Cultural Space Recommendation. Commissioner Patil seconded. Vote was 9-0.
  - Commissioner Patil moved to support African American Cultural Heritage District Recommendation. Commissioner Chen seconded. Vote was 8 in Favor and 1 Abstain.
  - Commissioner Cobalis moved to support Black Quality of Life Declaration Recommendation. Commissioner Chen seconded. Vote was 9-0.
- c. Information Sharing – No information to share

### **5. FUTURE AGENDA**

- a. API Task Force
- b. Briefing on the APD Office of the Community Liaison

### **6. ADJOURN**

Chair Yoshida adjourned the meeting without any objections at 4:40 p.m.