



**COMMISSION ON SENIOR
MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2020**

The Commission on Seniors convened a Regular Meeting via Videoconferencing.

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

Board Members not in Attendance: *Billy Jackson*, *Jacqueline Angel*, and *Patricia Bordie*.

Staff in Attendance: *Halana Kaleel*, Public Health Educator II, Austin Public Health

Presenters:

Chair, *Janee Briesemeister* called the Board Meeting to order at 1:02pm. The Commission introduced themselves.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

None

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE COMMISSION ON SENIORS AUGUST 12TH, 2020 MEETING.

- A. The minutes for the August 12th, 2020 Meeting were approved on Vice-Chair Varteressian motion, Commissioner Van Sickle second on a 11-0 vote with minor edits. Commissioners Jackson, Angel, Bordie, Garcia-Pittman, and Lugo were absent.
- B. Commissioner Lugo entered the dais.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. None

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution Reallocation of Austin Public Library Senior Programming Funds
 - i. Commissioners discussed resolution.
 - ii. Resolution of Reallocation of Austin Public Library Senior Programming Funds was adopted on Commissioner Lugo motion, Commissioner Grampp second on a 12-0 vote. Commissioners Jackson, Angel, Bordie, and Garcia-Pittman were absent.
- B. Commissioner Garcia-Pittman entered the dais.

- C. Presentation was given on the 2019 State and Federal Legislative Update by Brie L. Franco, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, City of Austin.
- D. Presentation was given on Austin Social Isolation Taskforce Overview presentation was given on behalf of Jennifer Emerick, Co-Founder, Heart and Soul Taskforce by Serita Lacasse, Senior Access.
- E. Presentation was given on Seniors and Law Enforcement Together committee (SALT) by Veronica Saldate, Office of Community Liaison, Austin Police Department.

IV. 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. No discussion currently.
- D. City of Austin Budget – Standing Item (Janee Briesmeister)
 - i. No discussion currently
- E. Update on the Equity Action Team – Standing Item (Emily De Maria Nicola)
 - i. No discussion currently.

V. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- A. None

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Chair, Janee Briesmeister adjourned the meeting at 2:28p.m. without objection.