

**COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
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The Commission for Women convened for a hybrid regular meeting on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, with Chair Austen at Austin City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701 in Room 1101, and the remaining members participating by videoconference.

Chair Austen called the Commission Meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Rebecca Austen, Chair
Flannery Bope, Vice Chair
Vanessa Bissereeth
Juliana Gonzales
Diana Melendez
Pam Rattan
Neva Fernandez
Priscilla Cortez
Desiree Bermea

Commissioners Absent:

Vacant: Mayor Adler Appointee
Josie Serrata

Staff in Attendance:

Juanita Martinez, Office of Civil Rights

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider approval of the minutes from the Commission for Women regular meeting on March 2, 2022.**

The minutes from the regular meeting on March 2, 2022 were approved on Chair Austen's motion, Commissioner Flannery's second on a vote of 8-0 vote. Commissioner Bermea off the dais.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding updates from the following working groups:**
 - i. Homelessness**

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

ii. Public Safety

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

iii. Health

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

iv. Recognition of Equity for Women and Girls

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

b. Discussion and possible action regarding updates from the Joint Inclusion Committee.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

c. Discussion and possible action regarding the recommendation for the City of Austin FY2022 budget.

Discussion was held. No action was taken.

d. Discussion and possible action regarding the recommendation for the City of Austin FY2023 budget.

Discussion was held. No action taken.

3. BRIEFINGS

Brie L. Franco, City of Austin, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, made a presentation/briefing on Legislative Updates.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Election of Commission Officers

The motion to re-elect Chair Austen as Chair of the Commission for Women and Flannery Bope for Vice-Chair, was approved on Commissioner Neva Fernandez' motion, Commissioner Bissereh' second, on a vote of 8-0 with Commissioner Bermea off the dais.

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5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Austen adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m. without objection.