



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
AGENDA

Special Called Meeting
Saturday, August 3, 2013
10:00 am at the City of Austin Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office
1050 East 11th Street, Suite 300
Austin, TX 78702

CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Paul Rhea, Chair	Sara Clark
George Reynolds, Vice Chair	Judy Cortez
Elizabeth Brenner	DeWayne Lofton

CALL TO ORDER

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Commission will not consider approval of minutes at this meeting

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion of possible recommendations to the City Council related to the presentation by Nelson Linder, President, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Austin Branch, and resolutions proposed by Mr. Linder related to economic disparities in Austin's African American Communities and additional oversight over the Austin Police Department by City Council and the City Manager. (Rhea/Lofton)
- b. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on expending money from the HRC budget for Commissioner Cortez to attend the International Association of Official Human Rights Agencies 2013 Conference. (Rhea/Cortez)
- c. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on a staff recommendation to present a Facebook page proposal to the Public Information Office for review. (Rhea/Clark)

5. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

6. STATUS OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Commissioners will report on and discuss:

- a. The status of the Commission's goals and objectives for 2013.
 - i. Goal #1 – Community Discussion on Racism and Discrimination.
 - ii. Goal #2 – Establish working relationships with community groups.
 - iii. Goal #3 – Improve Internal Commission - City of Austin Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office (EE/FHO) Processes and Procedures
- b. Plans and strategies for meeting those goals and objectives.

7. STAFF BRIEFINGS

Items of interest to the Commission from the EE/FHO.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioners propose agenda items for future meetings.

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