



**ASIAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014**

The Asian American Quality of Life Community Assessment Committee convened in a regular meeting on Monday, September 29, 2014 at One Texas Center, Texas.

Chair Richard Yuen called the Committee Meeting to order at 06:05 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Vince Cobalis, Miyong Kim, Sonia Kotecha, Richard Yuen

Staff in Attendance: Rey Arellano, Sarah Chen

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to approve at this meeting.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There was no citizen signed up to speak at this meeting.

3. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business at this meeting.

4. NEW BUSINESS

b. Discussion of current status of Asian American Quality of Life Initiative

Commissioner Richard Yuen shared the June 6, 2014 Scope of Work on the purpose of the Quality of Life Initiative with Committee Members. Executive Liaison Rey Arellano reported update from the UT proposal, which included more information on the scope of work and potential cost; and is being reviewed by City staff for alignment with Council Resolution and negotiation. Committee Members expressed importance of community outreach, desire for quantitative data, and interest in methodology review. Committee Members were concerned that the current research team will need assistance/collaboration from scholars in the social work/social sciences discipline to be successful. Rey Arellano will brief the Committee on negotiations in the next Committee meeting.

a. Discussion and possible action on revision of committee membership

There was no motion or recommendation. In light of the resignation of Commissioner Thuy Nguyen from the Committee, Commissioner Richard Yuen requested clarification of quorum for the Committee. Staff Liaison Sarah Chen to check with the City Clerk's Office and will report back during the next meeting.

5 . Future Agenda Items

Committee Members discussed meeting dates through the rest of year 2014 and agreed upon the following dates: 10/13/2014, 11/10/2014, and 12/8/2014. Sarah Chen will make facility requests at the AARC as first choice of meeting location.

Committee Members discussed agenda items for the October 13, 2014 meeting. Two items have been tentatively placed on the agenda:

- 1) Old Business: Discussion of current status of Asian American Quality of Life Initiative**
- 2) New Business: Discussion and possible action on other potential consultants**

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

There were no staff briefings at this meeting.

7. ADJOURN

Recommendation adjourning the meeting was approved on Commissioner Sonia Kotecha motion, Commissioner Miyong Kim second on a 3-0 vote (Commissioner Vince Cobalis left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.). Chair Richard Yuen adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.