



**Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission
Regular Meeting** <http://www.austintexas.gov/cttc>

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November 12, 2014

City Hall – Austin, Texas

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Current Commission Members:

Lemuel Williams, Jr., Chair	Chelsea McCullough Vice Chair
Wendell Ramsey	Melvin White
Elizabeth Quintanilla	Tracy LaQuey Parker
Marcy Hoen	

The following items are posted for discussion and possible action.

1. Call to order – November 12, 2014 - 6:33 p.m.

Commission members in attendance:

Lemuel Williams
Chelsea McCullough
Wendell Ramsey
Melvin White
Elizabeth Quintanilla
Tracy LaQuey Parker

Commissioner Marcy Hoen resigned.

Staff in attendance:

Rondella Hawkins
Paul Lewis
John Speirs
Jane Reina

2. Adoption of agenda.

The agenda was adopted by consent of the Commission.

3. Citizen Communications: General

The first 10 speakers 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.

No citizens signed up for general communications.

4. Approval of minutes – October 8, 2014 Commission Regular Meeting.

Minutes from the Commission regular meeting of October 8, 2014 were approved on Commissioner Ramsey's motion; Commissioner White's second on a vote of 6-0.

5. Adopt a meeting schedule for 2015.

Motion to adopt the meeting schedule for 2015 was made on Commissioner Ramsey's motion; Commissioner McCullough's second on a vote of 6-0.

6. Austin Free-net update. (Juanita Budd, Ex Director)(wp1, 5)

Juanita Budd, Executive Director of Austin Free-Net gave an overview of the programs they offer and how their GTOPs grant funding has help their community efforts. View report at: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=221266>

7. ATXN, Austin Municipal Channel update. (Keith Reeves, ATXN Manager) (wp1 &3)

Keith Reeves, ATXN Manager gave an update to the Commission that included the master control upgrade and the 6 Lone Star Emmy awards,

8. Staff briefing on Legislative, Regulatory and Policy update. (Paul Lewis) (wp3)

Paul Lewis, City of Austin Telecom & Regulatory Affairs Assistant Manager's update included Cable/Video Issues; City Regulations and Federal Activity. View report at: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=221267>

9. Austin Digital Assessment Working Group update. (wp4)

John Speirs, Program Coordinator gave the update.

Report included utilizing our 10-1 districts and our new council member as our advocates/ambassadors for digital inclusion within their communities.

10. Digital Inclusion Strategic Plan update. (John Speirs) (wp4)

Mr. Speirs reported the plan is schedule to go before Council November 20th for approval.

11. Update reports on networking relationships with other boards/commissions and groups, citywide and Austin Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission (ACT&TC) information items.

Commissioner Ramsey attended the Texas Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors Annual conference here in Austin. He reported the conference was broke down into two main tracks; policy and legal; and programming.

12. Discussion of agenda items for ACT&TC future meetings,

Proposed items for the December 10, 2014 regular meeting:

- Discussion and possible action on appointment of 2015 GTOPs Grant Review Committee and Commission Liaison to the 2015 GTOPs Grant Review Committee (John Speirs)(wp5)
- Panel of Telecom Provider on Community benefits of high speed broadband to the Austin community.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm