



**HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, October 26, 2020**

The Human Rights Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, October 26, 2020 via teleconference in Austin, Texas.

Chair Sareta Davis called the Board Meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Davis, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White.

Staff in Attendance: Jonathan Babiak, Human Resources Coordinator, Human Resources Department

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes from the regular meeting of October 2, 2020 were approved on a vote of 6-0: Chair Davis motion, Commissioner Caballero second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, and Commissioner White. Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Griffith, Commissioner Santana, and Commissioner Weigel were absent.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action on a Recommendation for continued funding for the Hotel Safety Net and Resources for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Human Trafficking in Austin/Travis County. (Davis/Santana)

The Commission discussed this item. Chair Davis moved for adoption, Commissioner Garry Brown second. The recommendation was adopted on a vote of 9-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White. Commissioner Breckenridge and Commissioner Griffith were absent.

- b. Discussion and possible action on a Recommendation regarding Black Quality of Life Declaration. (Davis/Santana)

The Commission discussed this item. Chair Davis moved for adoption, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown and Commissioner Santana second. The recommendation was adopted on a vote of 10-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White. Commissioner Griffith was absent.

- c. Discussion and possible action on a Recommendation regarding Block 16 and Block 18 African American Cultural Space. (Davis/Santana)

The Commission discussed this item. Chair Davis moved for adoption, Commissioner Santana second. The recommendation was adopted on a vote of 10-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White. Commissioner Griffith was absent.

- d. Discussion and possible action on a Recommendation regarding Black Arts and the Cultural District in Austin. (Davis/Santana)

The Commission discussed this item. Chair Davis moved for adoption, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown second. The recommendation was adopted on a vote of 10-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White. Commissioner Griffith was absent.

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2021 meeting schedule. (Davis/ Brown, J.)

The Commission discussed this item and adopted the 2021 meeting schedule (January 25, February 22, March 22, April 26, May 24, June 28, July 26, August 23, September 27, October 25, November 22, and December 27) on a vote of 10-0. Chair Davis moved for adoption, Commissioner Garry Brown second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Museitif, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White. Commissioner Griffith was absent.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. The Commission discussed the following key priority areas of concern for 2020-2021:
 - i. Institutional Equity
 - ii. Environment & Land Use
 - iii. Health Access & Nutrition
 - iv. Autonomy & Human Right

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 6:19 p.m. on unanimous consent.