

**COMMISSION FOR WOMEN  
MEETING MINUTES**

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The Commission for Women convened for a hybrid regular meeting on Wednesday, March 2, 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 Bissereth  
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 February 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 Bissereth' second, on a vote of 8-0 with Commissioner Bermea off the dais.

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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