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**VETERAN'S AFFAIRS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

Thursday March 14th, 2024 at 12:00 P.M

Dallas City Hall, 6ES Council Briefing Room and Videoconference

Video Conference:

<https://dallascityhall.webex.com/dallascityhall/j.php?MTID=m8d71507d93bd4d710b273748eca260f8>

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The City of Dallas will make "Reasonable Accommodations" to programs and/or other related activities to ensure any and all residents have access to services and resources to ensure an equitable and inclusive meeting. Anyone requiring auxiliary aid, service, and/or translation to fully participate in the meeting should notify the Office of Equity and Inclusion- Welcoming Communities and Immigrant Affairs Division by calling 469-873-9710 or TTY (800) 735-2989, three business days prior to the scheduled meeting. A video stream of the meeting will be available two business days after adjournment by visiting <https://dallascityhall.com/government/Pages/Live.aspx>.

La Ciudad de Dallas llevará a cabo "Adaptaciones Razonables" a los programas y/u otras actividades relacionadas para garantizar que todos y cada uno de los residentes tengan acceso a los servicios y recursos para garantizar una reunión equitativa e inclusiva. Cualquier persona que necesite ayuda auxiliar, servicio y/o traducción para participar de forma plena en la reunión, debe notificar al Oficina de Equidad e Inclusion- División de Comunidades Acogedoras y Asuntos de Inmigrantes al 469-873-9710 o TTY (800) 735-2989, tres días hábiles antes de la reunión programada. Una transmisión de video de la reunión estará disponible dos días hábiles luego del levantamiento de la reunión visitando <https://dallascityhall.com/government/Pages/Live.aspx>.

Individuals and interested parties wishing to speak must register with the Office of Equity and Inclusion – Welcoming Communities and Immigrant Affairs Division by calling 469-873-9710 twenty – four (24) hours prior to the meeting date and time.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. Public Comments on Items III – VI**
- III. Vote to Approve the February 8th, 2024, Meeting Minutes**
- IV. Discussion on Veteran Needs Assessment**
WCIA Officer Christina da Silva will present to the commissioners on a new initiative, the City of Dallas' Veteran Needs Assessment. Afterwards, she will answer questions.
- V. Discussion on the creation of a Human Rights Commission**
WCIA Officer Christina da Silva, Human Rights Officer Christopher Graves, and ADA Compliance Manager Gary Copeland will present to the commissioners on the Human Rights Commission. Afterwards, they will answer questions.
- VI. Discussion on Increasing Awareness of Veteran Serving Organizations**
WCIA Officer Christina da Silva will present to the commissioners on two new projects to increase awareness of veteran serving organizations, followed up with a discussion with the commissioners.
 1. Veteran Serving Organizations Document
 2. Findhelp Portal

VII. Announcements

The April 11 meeting will have to be cancelled due to the following reasons:

1. The City of Dallas is co-hosting the Welcoming America Conference. All the WCIA staff will be fully engaged with the conference from April 10-12.
2. City Hall does not have another available time for the VAC to reschedule.

VIII. Adjournment

Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

"Pursuant to Section 46.03, Penal Code (places weapons prohibited), a person may not carry a firearm or other weapon into any open meeting on this property."

"De conformidad con la Sección 46.03, Código Penal (coloca armas prohibidas), una persona no puede llevar un arma de fuego u otra arma a ninguna reunión abierta en esta propiedad."

EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt . Code §551.087]
7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code §551.089]