

1. Approval of April 21, 2025, LGBTQ+ Advisory Board minutes.



LGBTQ+ Advisory Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

2025 Board Members

Benjamin “Ben” Harrell, District 1 | Laken Hall, District 2 | Brad Veloz, District 3 |
Michael Quintanilla, District 4 | Mary “Maria” Salazar, District 5 |
Michael Rendon, District 6 | Andrea “Andy” Figueroa, District 7 |
Washington Navarro, District 8 | G. Sterling Zinsmeyer, District 9 |
Antonio Gonzalez-Martinez, District 10 | Victoria Echeverri, Mayor-1 |
Jaime Zapata, Mayor-2 | Cristian Sanchez, Mayor-3 |

Monday, April 21, 2025

The City of San Antonio LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee met on Monday, April 21, 2025, at the Central Library, 600 Soledad Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chair Salazar called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Harrell, Hall, Veloz, Quintanilla, Salazar, Rendon, Navarro, Zinsmeyer and Echeverri

ABSENT: Figueroa, Sanchez

LATE ARRIVALS: Martinez, Zapata

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Committee Member Zinsmeyer moved to approve the LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee meeting minutes for March 17, 2025
Committee Member Veloz seconded the motion

VOTE: AYE:11

NAY: None

ABSTENTION: None

ABSENT: Figueroa, Zapata

ACTION: Motion carried with 11 AYES. 0 NAYS. 0 ABSTENTION. 2 ABSENT

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments.

BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

CHAIR'S STATEMENT:

- Chair described the agenda process.
- The board approved the following meeting schedule:
 - June 17, 2025
 - July 21, 2025
 - August 18, 2025
 - September 15, 2025
 - October 20, 2025
 - November 17, 2025
 - December 15, 2025
 - Motion to accept: Brad Veloz
 - Seconded: Victoria Echeverri
 - Discussion: Central Library preferred location, confirm next month for dates
 - Amendment: to approve the location
 - Motion passed
- The board requested presentations on the following topics: the Budget process; the role of committees in city structure; how to develop policy; committee responsibilities regarding freedom of information requests and press inquiries; and tools to enhance committee effectiveness.

PRESENTATIONS:

Dr. Amy Stone - "Queer Health is the Ultimate Wealth: SA Metro Area's 2024 LGBTQ+ Health Report.

Krista Cover, City Attorney - 89th Texas Legislative update.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Community Engagement Committee -

Community Engagement Committee Report

- Committee discussed the June public forum and promotions for the forum. Board members discussed hosting the forum on the same day as the regularly held board meeting.
- Motion to have one meeting – Brad Veloz
 - Second: Antonio Gonzalez-Martinez
 - Amendment to have the meeting on June 17, 2025 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, doors to open at 5:30 pm.
 - Motion passed

Government Affairs Committee -

Will introduce a resolution as listed in new business

Health and Wellbeing Committee –

- Committee discussed hosting additional presentations by Dr. Amy Stone

- Other items for presentations:
 - Health Fair
 - Healthcare Navigation
 - Collaboration – LGBTQ+ Chamber and Pride Center

New Business –

Brad Veloz introduced a draft set of resolutions for action by the committee. The Chair requested that the government committee review the resolution and bring it back to the May meeting for discussion and approval. Board members also discussed pausing on resolutions until public input was acquired.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Salazar adjourned the meeting at 5:59 pm.

Mary “Maria” Salazar

Date