

1. Approval of the minutes from the Veterans Advisory Commission meeting on 18 March 2024.

The Veterans Affairs Commission (VAC) held a meeting at Endeavors Boardroom (6333 De Zavala Rd, San Antonio, Texas 78249) on 18 MARCH 2024. At 4:04 PM, the Chair called the meeting to order.

Representatives conducted the Pledge of Allegiance. The Chair conducted role call and quorum was established.

- **Representatives in Attendance:** Carlos Acosta (D1), John Gauna (D5), James Smith (D7), Gwendolyn Godlock (D8), Burt Quintanilla (D9), Kevin Crozier (D10), Richard Delgado JR. (Mayoral/Chair)
- **Representatives Not in Attendance:** Burrell Parmer (D2), Edward Fears (D3), Juanita Sepulveda (D4/Co-Chair), Walter Rogers (D6)

Additional attendees for record noted by Staff Liaison include:

- **CoSA Staff in Attendance:** Nathan Roberts (MVAD), Tim Woliver (MVAD)
- **Community Members in Attendance:** Mark Cason (D3 Community Liaison), John Botts, Alejandro Esparza (Kingdom Healthcare System)

Chair led the meeting through the following items:

1. Opening Remarks

- a. Chair provided opening comments and introduced guests.
- b. Public Comments.
 - i. No Public Comments.
- c. Approval of last meetings minutes with additions from D8. Chair motioned to approve and D6 seconded the motion. **(Minutes Approved)**

2. Guest Briefings

- a. Keith Wilson, Director, Bexar County Military and Veterans Services, provided a briefing on the services that his department provides for Veterans in Bexar County.
- b. John Herman, Program Coordinator, Felony Veterans Treatment Court and Judge Kristina Escalona, 186th District Court briefed their program to include mission, goals, and eligibility requirements.

3. Representative Briefs

- a. **Representative Briefs**
 - i. District Representatives briefed areas of concerns, need for assistance, and new initiatives in districts. Of note D7 briefed a Veterans Coffee event in May, D8

participated in the Council District Strategic Planning Committee meeting, District 9 briefed the upcoming Veterans EXPO in June and asked for organizations to participate, and D5 briefed the upcoming HUD-VASH conference on 3 APR and homeless resource fair.

b. Military and Veteran Affairs Staff Liaison

- i.** SL briefed that San Antonio International Airport was revisiting the recommendations of the Parking Task Force and military specialty license plates.

4. Closing Comments

- a.** Chair recapped the due outs from meeting. D6 had previously volunteered to host the next meeting.
- b.** Meeting adjourned at 5:22 with a motion by D7 and seconded by D9. **(Adjourned)**