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From: **Bobbie Garza-Hernandez** <[bobbie@pinkpr.biz](mailto:bobbie@pinkpr.biz)>  
Date: Thu, Dec 31, 2020 at 1:06 PM  
Subject: TIME SENSITIVE: Need Your Assistance  
To: Bobbie Garza-Hernandez <[bobbie@pinkpr.biz](mailto:bobbie@pinkpr.biz)>

Dear Friends & Family: We need your assistance. Several members of the community have discovered that ***the Tejano Committee of the Hays County Historical Commission have been fired!*** And the majority of Hispanic/Indigenous applicants with significant credentials were denied membership.

The Tejano Committee is charged with researching and documenting the stories of historical significance of the Hispanic and Indigenous people of our county. Preserving our community's history is very important, especially when there is blatant movement to erase our history. The Tejano Committee has been working very hard for the last several years and has brought forward substantiated Tejano History that resulted in the recognition of significant historical sites and the submission of requests for Historical Markers from the Texas Historical Commission. The dedicated members of the Tejano Committee, two of the three members of whom are Hispanic, should have had their memberships approved so they may continue telling the history of Hays County's Hispanic and Indigenous people. The Tejano Committee should be re-instated along with the members, Gina Alba Rogers and Irma Gaitan so that they may continue their research and important work. We are seeking answers and you can help.

**PLEASE HELP US BY CONTACTING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT AND REQUEST THAT THEY TABLE THE VOTE ON APPROVAL OF THE NEW MEMBERS to the HCHC UNTIL WE RECEIVE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN AN OPEN RECORD'S REQUEST.** The information requested will provide us with the *selection criteria, process used, and names of the selection committee.* At minimum, our community should be provided transparency from this public commission in order to determine that an **equitable process** was followed.

Please contact the commissioners court at the following:

[County Judge](#), Ruben Becerra

**Phone:**512.393.2205      **Email:**[judge.becerra@co.hays.tx.us](mailto:judge.becerra@co.hays.tx.us)

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Secondly, please submit a public comment, either online by filling out the form at <https://hayscountytexas.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/69/2020/07/Hays-County-Public-Comment-Form.pdf> and emailing your 3 minute comment to [publiccomments@co.hays.tx.us](mailto:publiccomments@co.hays.tx.us) OR by speaking at Commissioners Court THIS TUESDAY, January 5, 2021 on Item #1 on the County Commissioner's Court Agenda for **Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

Thank you so much for supporting this important issue in our community.

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