

RACIAL EQUITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 3, 2023

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: City Hall, 10th Floor City Council Chambers
161 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, MI 49201

AGENDA ITEMS:

I. Call to Order - Chair K. Hamilton

II. Roll Call – Kesha Hamilton, Jacqueline Barber, Freddie Dancy, Daveda Quinn, Leticia Albarran Rodriguez, Jacob Inosencio, David Hammontree, John Willis

Absent – Katima Dickerson & Michael Johnson Jr.

III. Reading of Land & Labor Acknowledgement – Chair K.

Hamilton, Kesha is hoping that at each meeting, we all take turns reading the Land & Labor Acknowledgement.

IV. Adoption of the Agenda - Motion by, Jacob Inosencio with an amendment on the date, Second by, Laticia Rodriguez

V. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit) None

VI. Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes - Motion by, Jacob Inosencio with edits to the minutes and Second by, Jacqueline

VII. Community Liaison Police Officer Report - Deputy Chief Sergio Garcia – Back to school Scavenger Hunt, Gus Macker, National Night out, Interfaith Shelter event, Pride Festival, Oasis Of Love event, applications for academy, an officer graduating this week from the academy, Down by 3 officers, after an officer has been hired, it takes 3 years before they are on the road.

VIII. Committee Reports

- a. **Board Development Committee** – review travel and hotel information for the Montgomery trip in January
- b. **Grants Committee**
- c. **Policy and Procedure Committee** – Looking for a new time to meet

- d. **City Report Committee** – 5-hour meeting with several comments concerning the price of Affordable housing. There is training for purchasing one of the homes after which the bank will work with residents who complete the training. Social workers budgeted into law enforcement.
- e. **Housing and Mobility Committee** – Will meet this month
- f. **Public Communications Committee**
- g. **Education Committee**
- h. **Racial Equity Complaint Procedure**
- i. **Nominations** – We have recommendations to talk about tonight. 7 questions were asked. Motion to place Dodi Wheeler as a subcommittee member, Daveda, Laticia. Bikash Jha was also interviewed. Motion to place Bikash Ex officio on as a Commissioner, Jacob, Second Daveda. Motion to place Chris Heydenberg sub committee member, Laticia, Jacob, Becky Winn, subcommittee member, no motion made, Nanette Muntin-Whyte, no motion made. David will look into

IX. Old Business

- a. **Conversation on Audit Report** – Friday the 15th @ 1:00 pm, an educational Zoom meeting with Ms. Foster.
- b. **Strategic Planning Buildout**
 - i. **Brochure and Commercial**
 - ii. **Community Conversation Update** – Creating spaces for Equity Community. Panelist suggested from Latina's, suggested names, John Hart, Lexi Mullican, Dr. Felicity Date: vendors, 4 questions prepared ahead of time. October 6-8:00 pm

The rest of the agenda items was suspended until the next meeting.

- c. **City Ordinance Se. 15-83c**

X. New Business

XIII. Commissioner's Comments

XIV. Adjournment @ 5:15 pm motion Jacob, Freddie

Next Meeting Tuesday, October 5th, 2023