

Community Relations Council

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2022

6 p.m. via Zoom

Attending: Reginald Brackett, Jonathan Nazeer, GiGi Anderson, Rachel Lillibridge, Shekinah Miller, Summersby Okey

City Staff: Jason Weil

Not Attending: Darryl Cunningham, Cynthia Ware, Rena Hunter, Sierra Hughes, Robert Karkoski, Taninya Smith

Purpose: To promote respect, appreciation and understanding of diversity among all people in our community by promoting positive human relations and reducing discrimination, assessing and responding to the human relations needs of our community, serving as a source of information, and advocating and recognizing change to achieve our mission.

1. Call to Order/Moment of Silence/Purpose Review
 - a. Called to order at 6:12 PM
2. Approval of Minutes from April Meeting
 - a. Will approve at June meeting- did not have quorum.
3. New Business
 - a. Community Volunteers
 - i. Agreement and Application to be sent out and voted on by email, due to lack of quorum.
 - ii. Day-of MLK volunteers will remain in place
 - iii. These additional volunteers are joining the sub-committee
 - iv. Suggestions:
 1. List job description/ sub-committee descriptions at the top of the application form.
 2. Clause releasing liability of the City
 3. We need to have an interview process
 4. Change “Contract” to “Agreement”
 5. Shekinah to send a “release of volunteers”
 - b. Level Setting Expectations
 - i. Our CRC Values: Accountability, Diversity, and Making a Difference

ii. Review of Committee Commitments

1. Shekinah and Summersby met with the chairs last week to talk about sub-committee expectations.
2. Shekinah will send a Survey Monkey to committee chairs to gather a time for a consistent monthly meeting. This may be a once monthly “sub-committee meeting” for all. We can split the time. This may need to happen an hour before the committee meeting.

iii. Sub-committees Updates

1. MLK- Reggie and Gigi

a. Check on location:

i. First Baptist- Jason to confirm

ii. Sports and Events Center

1. Concern about parking

2. Concern about decoration

iii. Winthrop McBryde Hall

1. Not large enough

2. Race Equality Month- Jonathan

a. Summersby to send Jonathan the Mayor’s Proclamation for the event.

b. Food Truck Friday

i. Can we suggest a band to Martin and his team?

c. May 20- Event at Mercantile that is International. This may be a place to recruit for other events

d. Town Hall that allows Community to discuss difficult questions. We want to focus our energy here. Could we bring in a mediator? Venue/ Speaker/ Facilitator

e. Hispanic Heritage Month event

f. St. Anne’s International Festival

i. Jason to send Thi’s email directly

g. Separate event with Race and Reconciliation

3. Black History Month- Sierra

a. February 11- Emmett Scott Literary and Arts Festival

b. African American Historical Site “Bus Tour”

i. City Bus is probably not an option

ii. School District Activity Bus

iii. YoCo Brew Trail Trolley

- iv. Think about Accessibility
 - v. Jim Barnette has some buses- Reggie to Check In
 - 4. Community Relations Committee- Shekinah
 - a. Plan to springboard from the REM Town Hall
 - iv. Plan for Retreat in July
 - 4. Old Business
 - a. Announcements and Concerns
 - i. Statewide CRC Meeting
 - ii. Clinton Health ConNEXTion Mini Grants
 - iii. Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive
 - b. City Announcements
 - 5. Adjournment
 - a. Adjourned at 7:10 PM

Next Meeting June 9, 2022, at 6:00pm