

Meeting Minutes - Draft Social Justice & Equity Commission

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Monday, January 23, 2023

6:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

Attend: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85991914675

1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Chan called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Co-Chair Genevieve Chan, Commissioner Parfait Bassale,

Commissioner Fauziya Mohamedali, Commissioner Wesley Nguyen,

Commissioner Jessicarae Nunez and Commissioner Marianne

Ozmun-Wells

Excused: 4 - Co-Chair Sarah Lloyd, Commissioner Rachelle Martin, Commissioner

Omar Santana-Gomez and Commissioner Larry Watkinson

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioner Omar Santana-Gomez is moving from the area and will not be re-appointed for another term.
- Details of the Black History Month celebration co-sponsored by the City were shared.
- The City DEI Program Manager has begun coordinating proclamations related to days of cultural recognition.
- Councilmember Y\u00e9n Hu\u00fanh now chairs the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

- **5.A** 23-0090 Discussion with the Police Auditor on the 2021 Annual Report and Future Commission Engagement
 - Council asked the Social Justice and Equity Commission to serve as oversight for the Police Auditor until a final police oversight model is adopted.
 - Police Auditor Tara Parker gave a presentation on her 2021 Report and shared the process

for reviewing complaint and use of force incidents.

 There was a discussion about use of force incidents involving people who appeared to be mentally ill and/or severely intoxicated, how demographics are collected, and police operations in general.

The discussion was completed.

5.B <u>23-0099</u> Discuss new Commissioner Applications Criteria and Process

- The City has received nine applications for the two open seats.
- Given the timeline, staff recommended the Commission empower the Co-Chairs to review
 applications and make a recommendation to the Community Livability and Public Safety
 Committee.

The discussion was completed.

6. REPORTS

- Discrimination Assessment Request For Proposal process timeline and update provided.
- Lodging Tax Award Committee: The Council has requested the Commission make a recommendation on how to improve the lodging tax award application and selection criteria.

7. OTHER TOPICS - None

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.