



Meeting Minutes

Social Justice & Equity Commission

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Monday, April 24, 2023

6:00 PM

Online

Zoom Meeting Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86401971689>

1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Chan called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 10 - Commissioner Parfait Bassalé, Co-Chair Genevieve Chan, Commissioner Mark Hodgson, Commissioner Rachelle Martin, Commissioner Kevin Mattison, Commissioner Fauziya Mohamedali, Commissioner Wesley Nguyen, Commissioner Marianne Ozmun-Wells, Commissioner Robin Rosen-Evans and Commissioner Larry Watkinson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Jessicarae Nuñez

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A [23-0367](#) Approval of March 27, 2023 Social Justice and Equity Commission Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT- NONE

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Program Manager Tobi Hill-Meyer gave the following announcements:

- Truclusion, the consultants for the Community Discrimination Assessment, are finalizing a first draft of a survey that will go out to the community.
- The City's Olympia Strong program includes an economic resiliency plan that has taken a strong look at equity. Commissioners are invited to attend Olympia Strong public meetings on June 12 and June 14.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

- 6.A** [23-0285](#) Discuss the Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement Project Approach and Timeline

Assistant City Manager Debbie Sullivan gave a presentation about the work that SDM Consulting and the Social Justice Equity Commission will do for the Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement Project.

SDM Consulting Project Manager Sam Martin introduced his team and explained how they are going to develop their oversight recommendations.

The discussion was completed.

- 6.B** [23-0371](#) Approval of the May 27 Social Justice and Equity Committee Retreat Objectives

Commissioner Bassalé moved, seconded by Commissioner Ozmun-Wells, to approve the objectives for the May 27 Social Justice and Equity Committee Retreat. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Commissioner Bassalé, Co-Chair Chan, Commissioner Hodgson, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mattison, Commissioner Mohamedali, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Ozmun-Wells, Commissioner Rosen-Evans and Commissioner Watkinson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Nuñez

- 6.C** [23-0262](#) Discussion on Lodging Tax Application and Award Process Improvement

Economic Development Director Mike Reid and Program Specialist Amelia Layton gave a presentation and Commissioners asked clarifying questions.

The discussion was completed.

- 6.D** [23-0288](#) Co-Chair Election

Commissioner Ozmun-Wells moved, seconded by Commissioner Watkinson, to elect Commissioner Bassalé as Co-Chair. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Commissioner Bassalé, Co-Chair Chan, Commissioner Hodgson, Commissioner Martin, Commissioner Mattison, Commissioner Mohamedali, Commissioner Nguyen, Commissioner Ozmun-Wells, Commissioner Rosen-Evans and Commissioner Watkinson

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Nuñez

7. REPORTS

Assistant City Manager Debbie Sullivan reported the Social Justice Equity Committee will have one week to review the Civilian Police Auditor's draft report about the Olympia Police Department. Commissioners are encouraged to give feedback and share their initial reactions to the report.

8. OTHER TOPICS - None**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Co-Chair Chan adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.