

Falcon Heights- Community Engagement Commission

October 18, 2016

7:00 pm

Minutes

Members Present: Commission Chair Melanie Leehy; Commissioners Ahmed Hassan, Jay Colond, Gary Kwong, Clem Kurhajetz, Shirley Reider; SAPD Liaison Chief Jon Mangseth; Council Liaison Tony Fischer; Staff Liaison Katie Thrasher; FHFDF Liaison Anton Fehrenbach

Members Absent: Commissioner Felicia Turner, Gwen Willems

1. Call to Order: 7:07 pm
2. Approval of August 15, 2016 Minutes

Moved to pass as amended by Shirley Reider, Gary Kwong
3. Commissioner's Journey to Falcon Heights
4. Block Party Report

There were 20 reported this year and 28 last year. Some were cancelled this year.
5. Diversity & Inclusion Training Report
 - a. Feedback

Feedback on our workshop was positive and participants asked for more time.
 - b. Recommendation

Fire Department is suggesting we consider training be onsite. The Commission scaled down the recommendation. The amended proposal with revised language will be completed by the Chair. The Commission will also recommend to the Council that all training be evaluated and should have the input of those impacted by disparities.

Motioned Clem, Shirley, Approved 6-0
6. Human Rights Day Event
 - a. Movie Selection

"Eyes on the Prize: Bridge to Freedom" is the selection. Deborah Montgomery will be the guest speaker. Commissioners are encouraged to review the movie on YouTube beforehand. Staff will send out the link.
 - b. Discussion Format

Commissioners instructed to propose questions to Staff by November 1st.
 - c. Refreshments

The Commission will discuss refreshments in November.

d. Publicity

Commissioners were asked to assist in distributing flyers. Staff will email the list of flyer locations to Commission members.

7. Updates and Announcements

The Fire Department had a great chili cook off.

8. House Keeping Items

Staff and Chair asked to be notified if Commissioners cannot attend a meeting, as it will need to be determined if there will be quorum.

Chair asked that we consider continuity of culture as three member's terms are expiring. We'll add an item on Commission history to the November agenda.

9. Meeting Schedule and Adjourn

Our next meeting is Monday, November 21st at 7pm.

Adjourned at 8:52 pm

Melanie Leehy, Commission Chair

Dated this 18th day of October, 2016

Katie Thrasher, Staff Liaison