

CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
Community Engagement Commission
City Hall
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue

AGENDA

November 17, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.

- A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:34 PM

- B. ROLL CALL:
Julie Ebbesen_X_ Denise King_X_ Sarah Caflisch_X_ Emily Schmall_X_

STAFF PRESENT:
Elke Johnson_X_

COUNCIL LIAISON:
Melanie Leehy_X_

- C. WELCOME

- D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 - Motion to approve – Schmall – unanimously approved

- E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - October 20, 2025, Community Engagement Commission Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve – Ebbesen- unanimously approved

- F. AGENDA
 - Unfinished business
 - 1. Human Rights Day
 - a. Johnson reviewed some county research regarding food insecurity
 - b. King recommends that we have these points available to attendees.
Also suggests that we add to the poster that there will be information about the resources that are available to the community
 - c. Johnson asks if we would like to include a food drive
 - i. Ebbesen suggests that we do have food drive to give people a reason to come.
 - ii. King recommends that we highlight that items should be non-perishable and not expired
 - d. King suggests changes to the poster
 - i. Indicate that there will be information on how to access resources available to residents
 - ii. Remove “lightning round.”
 - e. Johnson reviews the information provided by Council Member Leehy
 - i. Philando’s Pantry is confirmed

- f. Caflisch
 - i. Good Acre is confirmed
 - ii. Keystone and Falcon Heights School still pending
- g. Johnson - Every Meal is confirmed
- h. Johnson reviews logistics of the event
 - i. Single presentation with all of the organizations materials
 - ii. Leehy will bring apple cider
 - iii. Caflisch refers to the Samovar decanter for hot beverages
 - iv. Caflisch mentions that a resident or someone connected to the Speedy Mart food collection may be able to talk about the program that the neighborhood has.
 - 1. For the time being, we will keep the focus on the organizations, but a resident may contribute to the conversation on the day; we won't plan to include that in the agenda.
- i. Leehy mentions that Every Meal has mentioned coming up for a tour of the new/current facility.
 - i. King suggests Every Meal opens for a community open house sometime and Every Meal can mention that during our event.
- j. Johnson will make the edits and get the poster and social media posts out.
- k. King confirms that Leehy will MC the event, Johnson will put slides together to introduce the event and participating organizations
- l. Ebbesen will be the timekeeper
- m. We should have index cards available for attendee questions
- n. Each organization will have 5 minutes to introduce the organization and give a little information about what they do and their needs.
- o. Caflisch - Greeter
- p. King - Q&A collector
- q. Schmall - Cider greeting and donation collection
- r. Commissioners will arrive at 5:30 PM
- s. Organizations will be requested to be here by 6:15 PM
- t. Johnson will update the flyer and share it with Commissioners to share with their networks. Will also include neighborhood liaisons. Will also send to single-family and duplex rentals as well as businesses and school
- u. Leehy suggest that we get this info to the apartments. King will send info to the list of property managers she has been working to connect with.
- v. Will ask school if they can share it.

G. INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENT

H. ADJOURNMENT: 7:29 PM

- o Motion to adjourn-Caflisch- unanimously celebrated.

Next Regular Meeting is on Monday, December 15 at 6:30 PM