

Present: Kim, Katie, Shirley, Randy (council liaison), Georgiana, Tim (staff), Hibo (new member to be appointed), Dena (new member)

1. Called to order at 8:02 pm

Introductions of the group

2. Minutes of January meeting were made and approved. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes. Approved.

3. Commission Outreach Efforts

Want to reach out to apartment buildings in advance of events.

Preparing for Spring Together event at Curtis Field. Event has a potluck, some activities, idea is to bring neighborhood together. May 12th, 11am - 2pm. Support from Parks committee and from City is available.

1550 apartment building has a community room. We could host an open house there to meet people and promote the event. Flyers do not work well. We could try door-knocking in the building, ask the management know about the plan. Have postcards ready to handout when we do door-knocking if possible.

May 19th date conflicts with Ramadan, desire to move event to not conflict with Ramadan (May 15 - June 14). March 12-13 overlaps with Mothers Day and fishing opener weekend. Try May 12th.

Plan to use March CEC meeting for event planning. Dena and Stacey offered to assist with promotional materials - postcard and flyer.

Try to schedule door-knocking about 2 weeks before event. Tim offered to contact management of the building about scheduling. Door knocking can include neighborhood near Curtis field generally.

Tim shared draft flyer for volunteering in Falcon Heights. Bring feedback to next meeting.

4. Task Force Recommendations

Review of FHTF recommendations for inclusion. Main recommendations previously discussed for the short- mid- term: website improvements, partner with Science Museum of Minnesota on training, use newsletter and other promotional materials, build internship and career pathway programs for youth. Youth programs/internships example in Minneapolis is Step-Up (http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cped/metp/step-up_home).

Form subcommittees to review these topics. Each subcommittee could make a few recommendations to incorporate into a letter to the City Council.

- a. Minnesota Science Museum trainings: Stacey and Georgiana will investigate options
- b. Website improvements: Dena and Kim to review and make recommendations
- c. Career and internship youth development: recommend the city participate in youth programs / hire interns if possible in ways that align with the Task Force recommendations. Tim will reach out to a city contact in Roseville to see what they are doing.

Proposed research and presentations on history in our city of restrictive covenants with racial and other restrictions. Look at sharing information about this as part of Human Rights Day.

Information from sub-committees is due one week before our March meeting, March 12th. Send directly to Tim. We can review at the March CEC meeting.

Contact with Sheriff's office to encourage community connections with Sheriff's office, have them attend events.

5. Final Updates

Look for local groups working on topics of diversity and inclusion, e.g., Do Good Roseville.

City was invited by Kettering Foundation to participate in a forum/event based on the task force work in Falcon Heights. City administrators, council members, and others participated in the event. Event gathered representatives from cities across the nation and each shared work they have done. Randy will possibly share learning from that event at a future meeting.

Need to communicate regularly about the steps the city is taking, communicate progress. Newsletter will have an article about the Kettering event.

6. Meeting adjourned, 9:28 pm.