

CITY OF KEIZER COMMUNITY DIVERSITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES January 26, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. Attendance was noted as follows:

Present:

Anthony Rosilez Claire Snyder Markey Toomes Kim Freeman Kacey McCallister (6:15) Nevaeh Music Laura Reid Shaney Starr Absent: Dr. R. W. Taylor Staff: Tim Wood, Finance Director Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

INTRODUCTIONS: Each member introduced themselves and described their interest in this committee. Laura Reid shared information about Dr. Taylor and Kacey McCallister.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR: Dr. R. W. Taylor, Anthony Rosilez and Claire Snyder were nominated to serve as chair. With no further nominations, nominations were closed. Taylor received one vote and Rosilez and Snyder each received three. At this point Kacey McCallister joined the meeting. Candidates introduced themselves to him. A tie-breaking vote was taken with Rosilez receiving the majority of the votes. Claire Snyder was nominated to serve a Vice Chair. With no further nominations, nominations were closed and Ms. Snyder was elected by unanimous consent. Anthony Rosilez will serve as Chair and Claire Snyder as Vice Chair.

DETERMINATION OF SCHEDULED MEETING DATES: Committee members discussed options. Laura Reid moved that the Community Diversity Engagement <u>Committee meet on the first Tuesday of each month beginning March 2022. Kim</u> <u>Freeman seconded. Motion passed as follows</u>: Rosilez, Snyder, Toomes, Freeman, McCallister, Music, Reid and Starr in favor with Taylor absent.

Members agreed to meet at 6 p.m. for no more than 90 minutes.

COMMITTEE PURPOSE, TASKS AND GOALS: Committee members discussed possible economic development priorities through the Marion County Economic Prosperity Initiative such as tournament town sports facilities development and support, a revitalization plan for public investments (plaza, focal points, River Road/Lockhaven reconfiguration), food truck pod on City owned property, preparation of City owned properties for possible sale/development, consultant services to market City owned property for economic development or to create an urban renewal district, small

business grants/loans, consultant services for employment land urban growth boundary expansion, and small business loans. Additional discussion took place regarding revitalizing neighborhood associations, holding meetings in locations other than at City Hall and at times that don't interfere with family meal times, organizing Keizer's 40th Birthday celebration, developing a mini-leadership program to assist in identifying leaders and give them support, diversifying committee membership, educating people on how they can get involved and make a change, providing trainings with guest speakers through work sessions, hiring a community engagement consultant and budget.

Finance Director Tim Wood explained that the committee is an advisory group to Council and that he hoped that during the next few meetings the committee could determine what it needs so that those needs can be addressed by the Budget Committee.

Chair Rosilez urged committee members to focus on a few items and complete them rather than having many ideas and not completing any. He suggested the following **HOMEWORK**: Members should:

- Think about what they want to accomplish this year and come up with a mission that aligns with the purpose.
- Come up with suggestions on possible meeting locations other than City Hall.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Roland Herrera, Keizer, commended the committee and expressed gratitude for their commitment.

Joey Cappelletti, Keizer, urged committee members to contact him if they want suggestions from the community so that he can publicize that request in the Keizertimes.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT – City Demographic/Current Outreach: Finance Director Tim Wood referred to his staff report and pointed out that Keizer is becoming much more diverse. He indicated that he would send the Annual DEI Report from Beaverton to committee members for their information, and reviewed Keizer demographics, current outreach efforts and national observances and commemorative months.

ADJOURN ~ Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Minutes approved: 03-01-22