



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Commission Meeting

May 10, 2022

3:00 PM

Council Conference Room, 501 North Anderson St.

Ellensburg, WA 98926

And remotely via Zoom

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: Mayra Colazo, Kandee Cleary, Tylene Carnell, Teresa Divine, Daniel Amos, Sara Omari and Nancy Goodloe (Chair)

Absent: None.

Also present: Nicole Klauss, Public Information Officer (Recording Secretary); Lisa Young, HR Director; Heidi Behrends Cerniwey (City Manager); Alex Mandujano; and 1 member of the public.

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cleary moved to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion Approved - 06.**

3. Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2022 Meeting

Commissioner Colazo moved to approve the April 12, 2022 minutes. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

4. Staff Briefing

HR Director Lisa Young provided an update on diversity, equity, and inclusion in relation to the City's hiring practices and training.

5. Discuss Bullying Response

The Commission discussed bullying in town and at the Ellensburg School District. Commissioner Amos moved to send a letter to the Ellensburg City Council about the issue. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

6. Proclamations

The Commission discussed the upcoming LGBTQ Pride Month proclamation for June. Klauss and Goodloe will work on updating the proclamation for this year.

7. New Business

a. Comprehensive Plan: Klauss provided an update on the annual comprehensive plan amendment schedule.



b. Juneteenth: Commissioner Amos moved to send a letter of appreciation to the Ellensburg City Council in relation to the Council declaring Juneteenth a City holiday.
Motion approved 6-0.

6. Subcommittee Reports

Commissioner Divine and Colazo provided updates on the Unity Park stakeholder sessions.

Commission members discussed what else could be done to celebrate Pride Month in June. Commissioner Divine will reach out to the City Manager to ask if a flag could be held at City Hall.

Commissioner Cleary and Carnell said CWU is holding an amateur drag show and professional drag show for Pride Month and will also have a parade around campus.

Commissioner Colazo asked about the budget, and Chair Goodloe directed the subcommittees to meet before June to discuss budget recommendations. Commissioner Divine will look into the possibility of farmers market heritage celebration days.

7. Commission Member Reports

Chair Goodloe thanked Commissioner Omrani for her service to the DEI Commission.

8. Staff Report

Klauss provided the staff report:

- July 5 City Council Study Session will likely have a boards/commissions training with Ann MacFarlane from Jurassic Parliament. 6 p.m. tentatively

9. Review Next Meeting/Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Nicole Klauss

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