

CITY OF ELLENSBURG

**Minutes of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
Commission Meeting**

Date of Meeting

August 9, 2022

Time of Meeting

3:00 PM

Place of Meeting

Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson St.

Ellensburg, WA 98926

And remotely via Zoom

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: Kandee Cleary, Tylene Carnell, Daniel Amos, Alex Mandujano, Mayra Colazo, and Nancy Goodloe (Chair)

Absent: Teresa Divine (excused)

Also present: Nicole Klauss, Public Information Officer (Recording Secretary); Terry Weiner, City Attorney; Phil Backlund, consultant for DEI Commission Retreat; Jinger Haberer, ESD Superintendent; Kelly Kronbauer, ESD Student Health Services; Jason White, ESD Board President; and 1 member of the public via Zoom.

Commissioner Amos moved to approve an excused absence for Commissioner Divine for August 9, 2022. **Motion Approved 5-0.**

2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cleary moved to approve the agenda. **Motion Approved 5-0.**

3. Approval of Minutes from May 10, 2022 Meeting

Commissioner Carnell moved to approve the July 12, 2022 minutes. **Motion Approved 5-0.**

4. New Business: Review Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation

Commission members reviewed the Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation and made suggestions for updates.

Commissioner Mandujano will read the Spanish translation at the September 6 City Council Meeting and Commissioner Cleary will find someone to read the English one or will read it.

5. ESD Discussion

The Ellensburg School District (ESD) presented information about the ways the District is working to address safety/anti-bullying. The district discussed possible next steps in partnership with the City including co-hosting a World Café within the community, collaborating on a cultural diversity event within the community, a “pizza klatch” as a way to bring LGBTQ students together and potential use of Story Corp One Small Step.

The DEI Commission will discuss at their retreat on Friday. If doing a World Café they should discuss what topics to have conversations about and what questions they would use, and a smaller planning group could get together. November is a good time of year for ESD.

6. Subcommittee Reports

Commissioner Carnell said her committee met and talked about the grant process needing clarity and figuring out who the grant is meant to fund if it is something the commission proceeds with.

7. Commission Member Reports

Commissioner Carnell reported on meeting with the Kittitas County pride group for 2023.

Chair Goodloe reported there will be an overdose awareness day event on August 30 at the Methodist Church.

8. Staff Report

Klauss reminded the commission of the City Council vacancy and the application deadline.

Klauss reminded the commission of the Friday DEI Commission retreat from 8-1 at the Foundry and introduced facilitator Phil Backlund.

9. Public Comment

There was no correspondence or public comment.

10. Review Next Meeting/Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Nicole Klauss

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