



RACIAL EQUITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

February 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

The Racial Equity Commission met in person at City Hall, in accordance with State and Federal guidelines. The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Vice Chair Jacob Inosencio.

ROLL CALL:

Present: DEI Officer John Willis, Secretary Daveda Quinn, Vice Chair Jacob Inosencio and Jacqueline Barber. Absent: Chair Hamilton on a excused vacation, Commissioners Dancy and Johnson.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Read by Vice Chair Inosencio.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Vice Chair Inosencio asked for a motion to accept the agenda, Motion made by Commissioner Barber and seconded by Commissioner Quinn. Vote – Yeas: Commissioners Willis, Quinn, Inosencio. Nay: None, Motion carried. No discussion.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Kesha read the rules (standards of conduct) 3 minutes for comments.

One citizen today. No comments.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the January meeting minutes by Commissioner Baber and seconded by Commissioner Quinn. Vote – Yeas: Commissioners Willis, Quinn, Barber, and Inosencio. Nay: None, Motion carried. No discussion.

COMMUNITY LIAISON POLICE OFFICER REPORT:

Deputy Chief Garcia gave a report this month. Police department promoted two new Detectives, trained officers on de-escalation methods, the Cadet program need new people to apply, they have started a new pilot program at Parkside Middle School for

a 6-graders that is due to start in March 2022. The new position is still available for the Community Liaison person for the police department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Nominating Committee met this month.

- a. Board Development Committee – Chair Commissioner Dancy (have not met)
- b. Policy and Procedure Committee – No Chair (have not met)
- c. Contract and Purchasing Committee – No Chair (have not met)
- d. Nominating Committee – Chair Commissioner Quinn (we discussed some potential committee members and the need to set a date to review them).
- e. Public Communications Committee – Chair Commissioner Hamilton (have not met)
- f. Housing and Mobility Committee – Chair Commissioner Quinn (have not met)

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Summary report of the listening sessions are almost completed, Ms. Gunn is the only Council person whose Ward has not had a meeting yet.
- b. RFQ update: The RFQ changes were made, and it's posted on the City of Jackson's website and has over 120 hits.
- c. The Commissioners are not ready for the recording of Racism Commercial. Motion was made to table the scheduling of the recording by Commissioner Barber and seconded by Commissioner Willis. Vote – Yeas: Commissioners Willis, Baber, Quinn, Inosencio. Nay: None, Motion carried. No discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. We are planning the 2022 Committee's. Add the new Commissioners (Barber and Inosencio.) Jacob wants to be added to the Contract/Purchases/Vendors and Board Development Committees. (Put the chairs of these committees in the notes so we can choose what committees we chair. The roles of the committees are in last year's notes.
- b. ARPA funds are available from the City and the REC is interested in getting some of those funds. We need to decide which of the five areas we would like the funds from. We would like 10% of the budget. The timeline for the funds to be spent is December 31, 2026. Motion was made by Commissioner Willis to approve funds in advance and talk with the City Manager to hold funds for us and it was seconded by Commissioner Barber. Vote – Yeas: Commissioners Willis, Quinn, Barber, Inosencio and Dancy. Nay: None, Motion carried. No discussion.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner's Daveda asked about business cards and shirts, and they are almost ready. Mr. Willis will talk to the sheriff's office about the recent shootings. Jacob asked about Black History Programs in the City. Commissioner Willis said the city will do something.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn, at 4:49pm. Motion made by Commissioner Willis and seconded by Commissioner Barber. Vote – Yeas: Commissioners Willis, Quinn, Inosencio and Barber. Nay: None, Motion carried. No discussion.