

**MINUTES OF THE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

ELK GROVE CITY HALL  
Conducted virtually on Zoom

Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

The Diversity and Inclusion Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

Members present: R. Ashok Shankar, Ph.D.; Bhavin K. Parikh, MD; Jessica Carter; Jinky Dolar; Rev. Dr. Raymond Hess; Mohinder Singh; Gurjatinder Rhandawa, Kristofer Tan; Tina Lee-Vogt

Staff:

Kristyn Laurence, City of Elk Grove Public Affairs Manager  
Kara Reddig, Deputy City Manager  
Hanna Gray, Elk Grove Police Department PIO

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Agenda approved unanimously

**3. APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES:**

N/A

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

N/A

**5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:**

- Kristyn – State of City Address will be delivered Thursday, March 25, 6pm via zoom. You may register through the Chamber of Commerce website.
- Hannah – EGPD’s Annual Report will be released soon

**6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/REPORTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Bhavin –
  - Acknowledged accomplishments and contributions of women for National Women’s Month
  - Acknowledged contributions from the African American Community for Black History Month

- Jessica –
  - Demonstration Sunday, March 21, 12:30pm at the corner of Bruceville and Laguna in support of the #StopAsianHate movement
- Jinky –
  - Demonstration Saturday March 20, 2pm at J and 9<sup>th</sup> streets in Sacramento in support of the #StopAsianHate movement
  - Virtual Forum March 25, 6-7:30pm – details to be shared via email

## **7. REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

### **7.1 SUBJECT: Presentation from Elk Grove EDGE**

#### **COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

- Jaclyn Moreno, Megan Sapigao, and Winnie Hung – introduced their group. They work together to advocate on behalf of women and girls to improve outcomes, remove barriers, and build resources in Elk Grove. The group is community centered and intergenerational. They are currently working with the City, CSD, and EGUSD on initiatives.

### **7.2 SUBJECT: Consider Draft City Council Resolution Condemning and Combatting Hate Violence, Racism, Xenophobia, and Intolerance Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders**

#### **COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

- Provided recommendations to strengthen and clarify language

### **7.3 SUBJECT: Consider development of a City Council proclamation recognizing Juneteenth**

#### **COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

- Jessica and Tina to lead on development of the proclamation

### **7.4 SUBJECT: Consider an Outreach Education Series**

#### **COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

- City Council would like Commission to gain more education and conduct community outreach such as tabletops or panelists to share perspectives. The Commission is interested. Juneteenth may be the first event. Events will be held quarterly. Tina will reach out to a contact to help educate Elk Grove on Juneteenth.

### **7.5 SUBJECT: No Place for Hate Update (Standing Item)**

#### **COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

- No update

## **8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Jessica motion to adjourn, everyone seconded, approved through consensus at 7:41PM