

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

ELK GROVE CITY HALL
8400 Laguna Palms Way
Elk Grove, CA 95758
Council Chambers

Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

The Diversity and Inclusion Commission meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM

Members present: Tina Lee-Vogt, Jessica Carter, Michael Thomas, Kelly Le, Jenny Rodriguez, Reina Tarango, Delia Baulwin, Bhavin Parikh

Staff:

Kristyn Laurence, Public Affairs Manager
Jason Jimenez

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Agenda approved unanimously

3. APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES:

Motion to approve by Reina Tarango, Second by Michael Thomas, All In favor

4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

- N/A

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE:

- Commission Vacancy – Application deadline date tomorrow, 2/21, at 5pm. Looking to appoint in March
- Elk Grove Stars of Service Award Application Process – Deadline February 29
- Circle Up training will occur in May
- City is providing stickers honoring Black History Month and Women's History Month
- Coffee with a Cop will be Starbucks on Bond February 29, 7:30-10:30am

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/REPORTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Kelly Le – shared about Lunar New Year Festival – very successful

- Elk Grove Pride – Reina interested in helping with EG Pride
- Youth Commission - Heritage Event – May 17
 - Feb 24, Path to Positivity Event – there will be a speaker session, games, etc - Wackford

7. REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

7.1 SUBJECT: Presentation by EG Speaks

COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- Applying to become a Family Empowerment Center (FEC) and has applied to become 501c3 – currently there is only Warmline and it is highly impacted so there is a huge need for this service. EG has one of the largest Special Ed Programs in the State
- Mixer March 27, 6-9pm, to invite the community about how the FEC can support the EG Community
- Looking for grant opportunities

7.2 SUBJECT: Review Draft Proclamation for National Autism Acceptance Month

COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- Motion to Approve Jessica Carter, Second by Reina Tarango, All in Favor

7.3 SUBJECT: Appoint a New Recorder and Set 2024 Commission Subcommittee Assignments

COMMISSION DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- Delia Baulwin recommends Accessibility subcommittee be absorbed by Equity Engagement committee
- Motion to Approve removal of Accessibility subcommittee Delia Baulwin, Second by Bhavin Parikh
- Kelly Le joined Cultural Connections
- Michael Thomas joined Equity Engagement and Sister Cities
- Delia Baulwin joined Multicultural Festival
- Michael Thomas communicated it may be good to work on collaboration with other cities in California to share what we've accomplished and how

7.3.2 Cultural Connections: Carter/Lee-Vogt/Tarango/Le/Rodriquez

7.3.3 Equity Engagement: Baulwin/Dolar/Tarango/Thomas/Rodriquez

7.3.4 Multicultural Festival: Dolar/Parikh/Thomas/Baulwin

7.3.5 Sister Cities: Lee-Vogt/Carter/Thomas/Le

7.3.6 City Code of Ethics: Lee-Vogt/Carter/Dolar/Parikh

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Jessica Carter motion to adjourn, seconded Michael Thomas, approved through consensus at 7:09PM