



City of Lacey, Washington
Commission on Equity Minutes
Wednesday, July 12, 2023 – Lacey Timberland Library
500 College Street, Lacey WA, 98503

Roll Call

EQUITY COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chair Cliff Brown, Vice Chair Annie Clay, Thelma Jackson, Kristine Stolberg, Makieda Hart, Kim Sauer, Jon Hegwood

EQUITY COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

COUNCIL PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller, Councilmember Carolyn Cox, Councilmember Robin Vazquez

STAFF PRESENT: Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager (ACM); Robert Almada, Police Chief; Donna Feliciano, Communications Specialist; Napoleon Parker, Sergeant

Call to Order

Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1. LGBTQIA+ Community Forum:

The LGBTQIA+ Community Forum (Forum) was facilitated by the Commission on Equity (COE) led by Vice Chair Annie Clay and Commissioner Hegwood. At the Forum, the COE provided a brief history of the COE, reviewed the COE's role as an advisory board of the Lacey City Council, and provided an overview of the COE's past and future work. The COE heard from Forum participants on ways to create a more welcoming environment, about racism and inequities in the community, how to increase participation from underrepresented community members, and barriers to participation, as well as other questions, concerns, ideas, feedback, etc. related to equity and inclusion. Discussion ensued.

A brief overview of forum comments (staff report and video) can be accessed here:

In-person event: <https://laceywa.portal.civicclerk.com/event/67/media>

Online survey: <https://laceywa.portal.civicclerk.com/event/68/files>

2. Adjourn

Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Written Public Comments - The deadline to submit written public comments was 12:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Written comments are not addressed during the meeting; however, they are added to the official record. No written public comments were received.

