

**MINUTES OF LACEY COMMISSION ON EQUITY,
MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021
VIA ZOOM WEBINAR**

EQUITY COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chair Thelma Jackson, Vice Chair Cliff Brown, Jon Hegwood, Makeda Hart, Kim Sauer, Annie Clay, Kristine Stolberg, Youth Representative Alanis Blackburn

EQUITY COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

COUNCIL PRESENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager (ACM)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Agenda
- Meeting Minutes from August 23, 2021
- Meeting Minutes from September 27, 2021

COMMISSIONER CLAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. COMMISSIONER HEGWOOD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

3. Inspirational Item: Commissioner Blackburn provided an interactive Inspirational Item featuring an original excerpt composed by Commissioner Blackburn.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

4. (A) JUNETEETH PRESENTATION.

Mayor Andy Ryder introduced Charlene Anderson who requested that the Commission on Equity help plan a new or augment an existing Juneteenth celebration events in Lacey. Discussion ensued. Commissioners directed staff to step up a meeting with existing Masonic Lodge representatives, Charlene Anderson, and City staff to continue to explore potential collaborations.

4 (B) Lacey Cares Initiative Overview

ACM Kelley-Fong and Jason Robertson, of J Robertson and Company (JRO), provided an overview of the Lacey Cares initiative. Robertson provided details on: 1) the visioning process; 2) feedback from the initial survey on what people value most about Lacey, top priorities for

the future, and specific suggestions related to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion; and 3) a snapshot of the Parks, Culture and Recreation survey on arts and cultural features or experiences. Discussion ensued.

4. (C) November Community Engagement Sessions Update

ACM Kelley-Fong provided an overview of on-going planning efforts for the November Community Engagement Sessions, which included conversation on meeting type, location, advertisement/marketing, draft event flyer review, review of the alternative way to provide input, and recommendations on translation services. Discussion ensued.

5. COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Clay expressed interest in starting work on a Land Acknowledgement.

Commissioner Hart, Vice Chair Brown, and Chair Jackson volunteered to be part of the future meeting with Masonic Lodge representatives and Charlene Anderson to discuss potential Juneteenth Celebration collaboration options.

6. DIRECTOR REPORT

Commissioner Hart volunteered to provide the Inspirational Item at the next Regular Commission on Equity meeting in November.

7. ADJOURN

Chair Jackson adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.