



ROCKVILLE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

January 25, 2022

7:30 PM

Virtual Meeting via Cisco WebEx

MEETING MINUTES

Members: Andrew Lin, Amina Shafi-Rogers, Gabrielle Zwi, Sinan Wolf-Gazo, Molly Cullen, Yasmine Nasser, Peyton Hawkins, Rachel Blomquist

Student Ambassadors: Winnie Chen, Becca Fulton, Celeste Krubally

Mayor and Council: Dr. David Myles

Staff Liaison: Tyree Davis IV

Guests: Amanda Campbell, Sustainability Coordinator-City of Rockville

I. Convene and Welcome

- a. The meeting was convened at 7:34
- b. Welcome Guest(s)
 - i. The commission welcomed Amanda Campbell, Sustainability Coordinator for the City of Rockville
- c. Welcome Student Ambassadors
 - i. The commission welcomed Student Ambassadors to their first meeting. Ambassadors Winnie Chen, Becca Fulton, and Celeste Krubally introduced themselves.
- d. Approve Minutes/Agenda
 - i. Upon motion by Commissioner Blomquist, seconded by Commissioner Wolf-Gazo, the Commissioners unanimously approved the agenda and minutes.

II. Staff Report

- a. Vacancy Update
 - i. Liaison Davis shared that there are no vacancies.
 - ii. Lunar New Year event takes place January 28th from 10-1 at Wooten High School.
 - iii. Liaison Davis reported the Asian Pacific American Task Force had invited the HRC to host a table for the City's Lunar New Year Event. There was consensus that there was insufficient time to prepare and staff a table. The HRC requested that Liaison Davis express their thanks to the APATF for the invitation.
 - iv. Liaison Davis also shared that the new Deputy City Manager, Barack Matite started January 30th.

- b. Environmental Management
 - i. Amanda Campbell gave a presentation to the Commissioners on the City's Climate Action Plan and requested feedback from the group on Rockville's EV Readiness study. The presentation and links that were discussed are included in the minutes' appendix.
- III. Co-Chair Report
 - a. 2023 MLK Celebration
 - i. Co-chair Lin gave a recap of the MLK event that took place January 16th. Commission members: he reported that they received a lot of good feedback from various community members concerning the presentation, especially the performers. Co-chairs Lin and Shafi-Rogers thanked the Commission member who volunteered at the event.
 - b. 2023 Pride
 - i. Co-Chair Lin reported that Pride 2023 is being planned for Saturday, June 24th to be held on Rockville Town Square.
- IV. Other Committee Reports
 - a. Current Affairs
 - i. Commissioner Cullen shared updates about the Charter Review Commission report that was presented to Mayor and Council. She described several topics that would be discussed at the January 30th and February 6th Public Hearings. The current affairs subcommittee agreed to circulate draft letters to the rest of the Commission in time for submission before the hearings.
 - ii. Co-chair Lin noted that subcommittee is continuing to stay abreast of any updates concerning the County's restoration center project and will share updates once they have been confirmed.
 - b. Human Rights City
 - i. Vice-chair Zwi and Commissioner Murphy will be finalizing letter to send to Mayor and Council to initiate the conversation on Rockville becoming a Human Rights City.
 - c. Montgomery County Commission on Remembrance and Reconciliation (MCCRR)
 - i. Commissioner Hawkins shared the MCCRR has been discussing how to build momentum going into the event. The event is planned to take place in November. The County hopes to bring in a landscape architect to distinguish the space.
- V. Other Business and Announcements
 - a. HRC Goals and Objectives
 - i. Co-chair Lin noted that the co-chairs were working on a survey to gauge interest on what the commission would want to do going forward with the HRC and its goals and objectives.
- VI. Adjournment
 - a. Commissioner Cullen move to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Wolf-Gazo seconded. Unanimous approval. The meeting adjourned at 8:38.



Rockville Climate
Action Plan for HRC.pdf



HRC
Recommendations CAP.pdf

Here are the main links:

Electric Vehicle plan page with info and survey:
<http://www.engagerockville.com/EVPlan>

Direct EV resident survey link:

https://engagerockville.com/evplan/survey_tools/rockville-electric-vehicle-survey

City Budget and community priorities survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FLHKCYS>

Events, resources, webinars, tips from the
Environment & Sustainability Newsletter:

<http://eepurl.com/dtJySD>