



Mayor's Task Force for Racial & Ethnic Equality

REAL ESTATE & HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE CO-CHAIR MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

3:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

Call to Order

AJ Wright, subcommittee co-chair, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Kayla Elson, of Justice & Sustainability Associates, took attendance of participants for the meeting record. Kayla Elson then reviewed the meeting agenda.

May 12th Co-Chair Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the May 12th co-chair meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

June 16th Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the Real Estate & Housing Subcommittee meeting on June 16th were reviewed.

July Subcommittee Report

Danita Nias, subcommittee co-chair, will write July's subcommittee report. AJ Wright will report out the July subcommittee report for the upcoming Task Force meeting. Danita Nias said she can write the report on the 22nd and JSA will get the notes/materials to Danita Nias on the 21st.

Process for Subcommittee Recommended Strategies

The Task Force is presenting to the City Commission on October 4th. The Task Force co-chairs would like some recommendations to present that have gone through Task Force approval. The July and August subcommittee meetings will be used for recommendations drafting. By August 19th, subcommittees will need to submit their ideas so that the Task Force has time to review and approve prior to their meeting.

Danita Nias gave background context about the upcoming collective subcommittee co-chair meeting on Thursday, July 22nd, 1 – 2:30 p.m. The objective of this meeting is to allow subcommittee co-chairs to align on ideas that crossover with other subcommittees. Kayla Elson further clarified saying a recommendation might come up to combine a few ideas, that proposal would be brought back to the subcommittee members to review.



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The ideas list was reviewed. Danita Nias asked for clarification about where some of these ideas came from, Kayla Elson said that the ideas come from subcommittee members and feedback from the Action Summit. The subcommittee is still determining its focused ideas for recommendations. Both co-chairs want to avoid doing another “deep dive” of the ideas list so that the subcommittee can begin moving forward with narrowing the ideas list. Co-chairs liked the idea of opening the recommendations discussion with ideas the co-chairs supported initially and going from there.

Kayla Elson recommended co-chairs choose their top three ideas as a starting point. Danita Nias liked priority 1 ideas #1 and #2 and priority 2 ideas #2 and #3. AJ Wright liked priority 1 ideas #1, #4, and #6 and priority 2 ideas #1 and #2.

Kayla Elson suggested sending a list of ideas highlighting the priorities that the co-chairs think should be the main focus to subcommittee members to get their feedback and opinions prior to next Wednesday's subcommittee meeting.

July Subcommittee Agenda

The July subcommittee agenda was reviewed. Danita Nias said the agenda should have more focus on the outcome on where the subcommittee is going. Kayla Elson said she will be clear and intentional when explaining the recommendations process and outcomes.

Adjournment

Danita Nias adjourned the meeting at 2:41 p.m. The next meeting will be on August 11th, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. on Zoom.

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Danita Nias, Subcommittee Co-Chair
Antoinne Wright, Subcommittee Co-Chair

Kayla Elson, Justice & Sustainability Associates
Emma Lipsky, Justice & Sustainability Associates

Absent:

Tiffany David, City of West Palm Beach Mayor's Office