



Mayor's Task Force for Racial & Ethnic Equality

MEETING MINUTES
Friday, January 22, 2021
10:00am
Zoom Meeting

Call to Order

Michelle Diffenderfer, co-chair of the Mayor's Task Force for Racial & Ethnic Equality, called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Tiffany David, of the City of West Palm Beach Mayor's Office, took attendance of participants for the meeting record. Keith James, Mayor of the City of West Palm Beach welcomed participants to the meeting. Sally Chester, Task Force member, asked a question to the Mayor regarding potential future interaction with similar groups. Michelle Diffenderfer reviewed the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Subcommittee Priority Reports

Kayla Elson, of Justice and Sustainability Associates, opened the floor for subcommittee report share-outs. Co-chairs from each subcommittee presented their top two priorities that will be shared out at the City Commission Meeting Monday, January 25, at 5:00 pm. Alexcia Cox and Daniel Eisinger provided a report on the Criminal Justice Subcommittee priorities. Julie Fisher Cummings provided a report on the Education Subcommittee priorities. Leontyne Brown provided a report on the Finance, Banking & Industry Subcommittee priorities and Bill Jacobson added further details. George Soria provided a report on the Health Subcommittee priorities. Bradley Hurlburt provided a report on the Real Estate & Housing Subcommittee priorities.

Presenting to the Commission

Michelle Diffenderfer reviewed the basic outline of what her and Patrick plan to present to the City Commissioners. It was estimated that the Task Force Co-Chairs will have about 15-20 minutes to present. The Task Force then discussed what success looks like for the future of the Mayor's Task Force/Subcommittees and opportunities for the public to interact and comment on the Task Force/Subcommittee processes/activities.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:36am by Michelle Diffenderfer and Patrick Franklin. The next meeting will be on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 6:00pm on Zoom.



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ATTENDANCE

Present:

Michelle Diffenderfer, Task Force Co-Chair
Patrick Franklin, Task Force Co-Chair

Maria Antuña, Task Force Member
Rick Asnani, Task Force Member
Alexandria Marie Ayala, Task Force Member
Ana Bacas, Task Force Member
Leontyne Brown, Task Force Member
Sally Chester, Task Force Member
Alexcia Cox, Task Force Member
Julie Fisher Cummings, Task Force Member
Daniel Eisinger, Task Force Member
Bryce Graham, Task Force Member
Bradley Hurlburt, Task Force Member
Bill Jacobson, Task Force Member
Faye Johnson, Task Force Member
Juan Pagan, Task Force Member
Dina Rubio, Task Force Member
George Soria, Task Force Member
Tameca West, Task Force Member
Alisha Winn, Task Force Member
Antoinne Wright, Task Force Member

Keith James, Mayor of West Palm Beach
Tiffany David, City of West Palm Beach Mayor's Office
Kayla Elson, Justice & Sustainability Associates
Emma Lipsky, Justice & Sustainability Associates
Corinna Moebius, Justice & Sustainability Associates
Farah Nerette, City of West Palm Beach Mayor's Office
Donzell Robinson, Justice & Sustainability Associates

Absent:

Jerry Deng, Task Force Member
Chauncey Graham, Task Force Member
Jennifer Jean Bell, Task Force Member
Gopal Rajegowda, Task Force Member