

Advisory Commission on Human Relations & Disability Issues

Meeting Agenda

October 4, 2021

5:30pm

- I.** Call to order – Present were Abbie Dillard, Ollie Carroll, Julie Xiong, Marge Gasnick, Tom Alonzo, Maritza Fernandez, Phyllis Wallace.

Absent were James Echols, Karen Greenwood, Christina Van Cleave

- II.** Roll call

- III.** Old business

- A. Revision on meeting minutes from September 2021 – Motion by Ollie Carroll, seconded by Marge Gasnick, to accept the minutes from September 2021. Motion passed.

- IV.** New Business

- V.** Abbie indicated there are five open seats on the ACHRDI. She said she has one person she is talking to. She encourages members to identify people. These commission districts – Kane (district 5), Townsend (district 1), Burroughs (at large district 2), Walters (district 7), Bonner Springs mayor.

- VI.** Health and Equity Taskforce and Initiatives/Updates – No update

- VII.** Police/Law Enforcement – Abbie provided an update on the Law Enforcement Advisory Board. The city auditor department has done some audits of the dispatch area of the police department and the jail commissary fund. There will be a detailed audit of the municipal court. This was initiated by Chief Oakman. They also did a disaster resilience training. Other issues being discussed: The Legislative Auditor's Office is making some changes. Sheriff Ash sent a note with a link for the National Faith and Blue weekend. October 8-11. Abbie said she will scan the document and send it out. Abbie said if there are questions for this advisory board, or Chief Oakman, to let her know. There are some follow-up questions from his meeting with ACHRDI a couple of months ago.

- VIII.** Systemic Racism – The facilitator is not confirmed yet for this training.

- IX.** Housing and Landlord/Tenant – Abbie said the ordinance from the Missouri side was shared with everyone, and can be sent out again. If anyone wants to help with this, let her

know. Also, if anyone knows of another state's/city's ordinance, please share. The KCMO ordinance is not the end-all and be-all.

Also, there is a Housing Summit hosted by Livable Neighborhoods on Oct. 20th. Tom Alonzo said he would be attending. Marge also noted that the Unified Government is in the process of hiring a Housing Director, which is a new position.

- X.** Projects/Taskforces Chairpersons – No update.
- XI.** Goal/Initiatives Alignment Presentations by Community – Tom had to sign off at 6 p.m. so there was no longer a quorum. It was determined that the discussion would be put off until after the election.
- XII.** Open Discussion – Safe and Welcoming rally on Friday, Oct. 15th at 5:30 p.m. in front of City Hall.
- XIII.** Chairperson Observations – Abbie will ask all members to review the housing ordinance by the next meeting. That will be the emphasis for the meeting.
- XIV.** Adjournment – Motion by Marge, seconded by Julie Xiong, to adjourn at 6:05 p.m. Motion passed. Meeting ended.

NEXT MEETING: November 1, 2021