



DEI & ACHC JOINT MEETING MINUTES

October 08, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Wilsonville City Hall & Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83159324538>

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

DEI Committee Members In Attendance:

Chair Karla Brashear
Vice Chair Erika Pham
Aasha Patel
Carolina Wilde
Diane Imel
Elisabeth Garcia Davidson
Imran Haider
Justin Brown
Tracy Hester

DEI Excused:

George Luo
Fay Gyapong-Porter
Jay Edwards

ACHC Excused:

Deborah Zundel, Chair
Joan Carlson
Sageera Oravil Abdulla Koya
Susan Schenk

ACHC Committee Members in Attendance:

Aaron Harris
Benjamin Mefford
David Altman
Jason Jones
Nadine Elbitar
Mayor Fitzgerald, Ex Officio

Staff in Attendance:

Erika Valentine
Ethan Picman
Kim Rybold
Kris Ammerman
Zoe Mombert

PUBLIC INPUT AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – No public comments

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS - DEI and ACHC were provided a presentation regarding housing our future project work and an opportunity to participate in the housing conversation through Conversation Guide.

- ART - How will art be involved in the plan?
- DEI - Looking to reach as many members of the community as possible
- Comments are due by December to staff
- Housing – will have outreach with the Latino Network
- Suggested we facilitate with translated documents

- Suggestion to go to Autumn Park or other subsidized communities
- Project will evaluate capacity. What can be expected?
- The City can provide housing supply or evaluate what the demands will be
- The City will determine if additional land/development is needed
- Intent is to reduce barriers to participation (conversation guide)
- Sign-in sheet will be provided and requested to submit
- Email planning staff for updates
- Looking for key points and highlights
- Question about co-op development and strategies
- The concept is being discussed but needs partners

COMMITTEE INTRODUCTION, DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATIONS

ACHC provided an overview and update of recent projects

- Policy
- Skate park mural
- Pride mural
- Boones Ferry Park

DEI Committee provided an overview and update of recent projects

- Juneteenth is growing. 2025 will be its 4th year
- Speaker series
- Las Posadas
- Great conversation with community members

Collaborative Discussion

- Pride debrief
- Interested in event to continue to grow
- Suggestion in letting Pride event grow to something like Beaverton's event

Hearts Review

- Discussed invitation
- Free event, depending on funding
- Bring the community together through art and music

Discussed a City-Wide Cultural Event

- Chair Brashear discussed the possibility of a city-wide cultural event
- Saturday family-friendly festival event with music/food
- #1 idea from Carolina Wilde's class
- High school students are thinking of something similar
- Start small with realistic expectations
- Relatable to the community

Further Discussion Regarding Events

- How did events get going and continue to renew funding
- Non-profit collaboration is critical
- Hear that people want some sort of cultural celebration
- Visual depiction of Wilsonville and art helps share culture
- Interested in Hispanic Heritage month celebration with a mural
- Interested in people in “chairs”
- Cherry blossom festival, which is a smaller cultural event

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm

NEXT DEI MEETING – November 11, 2024 at 6:00 pm