

Prairie Village Diversity Committee Minutes

January 14, 2025

4:00 p.m.

Prairie Village City Hall – Multi-Purpose Room

- **Call to Order** – Ian
- **Attendance** – Chi, Ciara, David, Ian, Karen, Rachael, Tim,
- **Land Acknowledgment** – Chi provided presentation of acknowledgement/statement
- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** (10/8/24) – Chi with motion, all approved
- **Presentations** – None
- **Public Participation** – Leon, Hazel
 - Interpretive panel, historical discussion – does this explain how the historical practices still impact housing today. David referenced the section of the panel that attempts to address this as much as possible in the limited space.
- **Committee Discussion Topics(s)**
 - Last meeting with Ian as committee chair, we expect that Chi will be chair by next month.
- **Project/Event Updates**
 - Interpretive Panel – David
 - Inga will be presenting the motion to council, just needs someone to write it for her
 - Life size sample appeared at meeting
 - MLK JR Service Day Planning
 - ~115 people signed up
 - Need: plastic bags, bottled water, granola bars/snacks (committee \$ will fill in as needed)
 - Have: coloring pages, markers, crayons, hand warmers
 - Event will be 10-12 next Monday, Ciara, Chi, Rachael will get there ahead of time
 - RP to confirm – plan for getting care packages to Restart
- **New Business**
 - New committee member applications
 - 3 spots open
 - 4 applications, 1 entered Diversity as top spot
 - Anitha Patterson; Chi and Karen to reach out
 - Future of MLK / Juneteenth Events
 - Dr. George stepping back, committee will step up to organize
 - Need to consider what this could look like, e.g. partnership with other cities (OP does something similar in downtown OP)
 - Diversity Committee is a sponsor, but MLK/Juneteenth has a separate budget from city
 - Juneteenth - \$15k previously (avoid asking for the same then scaling way down)
 - Discuss at February meeting
 - Immigration / Town Hall
 - Potentially a Ted Talk (TBD)
 - David would like be involved, he has connections
 - Add “service”/“call to action” aspect in the planning for this and future town hall events
 - Send printables to Tim before Monday: info sheets, Signup sheet, future event topics
- **Old Business** – None
- **Looking Ahead 2025**
 - MLK Jr Celebration - January 18, 2025
 - MLK Jr Service Day - January 20, 2025
 - African American History Month - February
 - Committee Meeting - February 11, 2025
 - Committee Meeting - March 11, 2025
- **Adjournment** – Chi with motion, all approved