

City of Rowlett  
Diversity & Inclusion Commission Virtual Meeting

Wednesday June 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order

- Meeting called to order at 5:33pm. Members present included Hernandez, McCarrier, Hickman, Khalil, Moore, Culpepper, Hollins, Wise, Younge, and Adams. Mark McAvoy represented City Staff. Mayor Tammy Dana-Bashian represented City Council.

2. Committee Reports

- Government Affairs: Working on curbside voting (Election commissioner is willing to meet w/ committee to discuss—expecting new guidelines in early June), water bill deposit refund discussion ongoing (met w/ Finance).
- Community Outreach: Develop a strategy for restarting 2020 Census engagement, Police outreach (Jerry to engage RPD).
- Communications: RDIC Facebook group launched, continued developing diversity calendar, discussed the possibility of hosting a virtual town hall meeting.
- Research/Analysis: no report.

3. Report on Governor Abbott's orders related to Open Meetings Act

- McAvoy briefed the commission of the status of the Governor's suspension of certain provisions of the act, especially as it pertained to virtual meetings and public input.

4. Discuss expectations for Boards and Commissions during disaster declaration

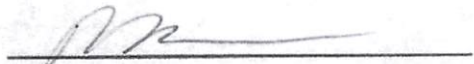
- Mayor addressed the Council's expectations for all boards / commissions as discussed at the May 16<sup>th</sup> Strategy & Planning Session. Encouraged commission to focus attention and energy on helping to address current events. Commissioners asked to be included in information regarding city sponsored initiatives to promote dialogue.
- Mayor led discussion on possibility of D&IC recommending changes to police policies at the appropriate time.

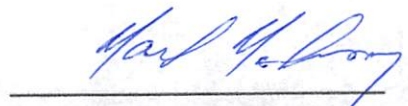
5. Plan June 17, 2020 regular meeting

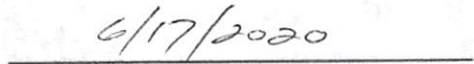
- Add agenda item: Brainstorming for 2020 Taste of DiverCity
- Add agenda item: Discuss creating new and/or reorganizing existing committees

6. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

  
Robert McCarrier, Chair

  
Mark McAvoy, Staff Liaison

  
Date Approved