### DIVERSITY COMMITTEE July 7, 2022

A regular meeting of the Diversity Committee of the City of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was held on Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Council Member Sherry Bublitz at 7:09 p.m.

Roll Call; Present - Council Member Sherry Bublitz, Amit Kaul, Connie Kincaide, Hayden Knight, Dr. Joyce Caldwell (1<sup>st</sup> Alternate)

Excused - Kayla Stoflet, Rev. John Norquist

Also Present - City Administrator Mikko Hilvo

# STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

City Administrator Hilvo acknowledged that the agenda for this meeting was posted and distributed in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law

# COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS - None

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Connie Kincaide, seconded by Council Member Bublitz, to approve the June 22, 2022 minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote with Rev. John Norquist and Kayla Stoflet excused.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## Discuss Community Outreach Events; and Action Thereon Fireside Chat Event

Connie Kincaide read the summary prepared by Rev. Norquist from the Fireside Chat subcommittee meeting held on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Hayden Knight will work on an invitation and connecting with potential panelists. Once an invitation and dates are finalized, Connie Kincaide offered to email local representatives.

Discussion was had on what steps would be needed to have the City of Cedarburg sponsor the Fireside Chat event(s).

#### **Discuss Affordable/Workforce Housing ; and Action Thereon**

Connie Kincaide contacted nine real estate agents and one developer as well as Family Promise. Four agents, the developer and Family Promise are interested in continuing dialogue. Representatives from Family Promise offered to give a presentation at the next DEI meeting, if requested. Discussion occurred amongst citizens, Committee members and City Administrator, Hilvo.

Administrator Hilvo is in continued contact with City Planner Censky.

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## **Discuss Winter Film Night; and Action Thereon**

Item C "Discuss Winter Film Night; and Action Thereon" may be removed from future agendas. The film night has been combined with the Peace in the Park event.

### Update on Peace in the Park event; and Action Thereon

The Film Night will be held on July 20, 2022 at the CPAC from 5pm-9pm.

The Peace in the Park event will be held on August 6, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. in Cedar Creek Park. Several sponsors and donors have come on board since the June meeting. The following were thanked: Kapco, Hefners, Faith Lutheran Church, and Bridge the Divide. Several musicians have been booked and a sound system secured. Vendors may set up on the perimeter of the event for \$25 with 14 confirmed vendors as of July 7. Promotion of the event is largely done via social media, Instagram. The contact person is Aidan Wagner.

Yard signs and merchandise are in process with a tentative date of July 24 from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for pickup/distribution.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Discuss Letter to Editor; Action Thereon**

Council Member Bublitz gave an update on the event that caused initial concern and did not feel a letter was warranted. Details were shared during the meeting and community members gave feedback.

#### Identify Future Agenda Items; Action Thereon

Connie Kincaide requested that Cedarburg School Board Members be invited to the meetings and that inviting local representatives remain an item of importance. City Administrator Hilvo stated that he had an introductory meeting with the new Cedarburg School Superintendent but did not discuss this topic with him. Committee members can make requests to the School Board as residents within the School District.

Committee members discussed the linked resource, Bridge the Divide having been removed from the City Website page. City Administrator Hilvo did not have an update as to when the page will be updated.

# **REPORTS**

Connie Kincaide stated the date of the upcoming Bridge Run on July 23 and acceptance into a moderator training program through the organization, Braver Angels.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Dr. Joyce Caldwell, seconded by Council Member Sherry Bublitz, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Rev. John Norquist and Kayla Stoflet excused.

Connie Kincaide Secretary