

**DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**  
**August 4, 2022**

**DIV20220804-1**  
**UNAPPROVED**

A regular meeting of the Diversity Committee of the City of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was held on Thursday, August 4th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Council Member Sherry Bublitz at 7:06 p.m.

Roll Call: Present - Council Member Sherry Bublitz, Amit Kaul, Connie Kincaide, Kayla Stoflet, Dr. Joyce Caldwell (1<sup>st</sup> Alternate), Hayden Knight (left meeting approximately 7:15 p.m.)

Excused – Rev. John Norquist

**STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

City Clerk Tracie Sette acknowledged that the agenda for this meeting was posted and distributed in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

**COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS**

No comments offered during this portion; citizens offered input with respective agenda items.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Connie Kincaide, seconded by Dr. Joyce Caldwell. Motion carried without a negative vote with Rev. John Norquist excused

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Update on Peace in the Park Event; and Action Thereon**

The Peace in the Park event will be held on August 6, 2022, from 4 p.m. – 10 p.m. in Cedar Creek Park.

Aidan Wagner spoke on behalf of Peace in the Park and stated the change in event time. This change was issued by City Administration, rather than Peace in the Park organizers. Concerns were stated by Mr. Wagner regarding a lack of support from the City. Committee Member Stoflet discussed additional communications regarding use of the pavilion and lights. Amit Kaul discussed the film night and the unexpected charge of \$340 for use of the CPAC. The fee of \$340 was paid by Mr. Kaul and it is anticipated that all or most of this amount will be reimbursed from private citizen donations and Peace in the Park funds. Moving forward, Peace in the Park organizers will examine success of event and future partnership with the City of Cedarburg. Future actions include Council Member Bublitz contacting City Administrator Hilvo and Mayor O’Keefe to follow up on DEI Committee chairperson giving a report of Committee activities at the August 29, 2022 Common Council meeting. Report to include successes and challenges, the upcoming Fireside Chat series and requests for Council and Mayoral support in the year ahead.

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

Family Promise presentation on affordable housing is anticipated in the fall. Future actions include discussion of forming a subcommittee and inviting Council Member and citizen participation.

**Discuss Community Outreach Events; and Action Thereon**

**Fireside Chat event**

Dr. Joyce Caldwell gave a summary of the plans for the Fireside Chat series. The Cedarburg Public Library will host the four Fireside Chats and will provide refreshments for the first, held in October. Panelists for each event will be provided an outline of questions to answer. After panelists have spoken, all those in attendance that wish to break into small groups for discussion will be invited to. A recommendation was made to advertise that the Committee is seeking panelists on various platforms and within local venues. A press release for the Fireside Chat series is being prepared.

Future actions include updating the Common Council of efforts, seeking additional underwriting of event refreshments, requesting the Cedarburg Public Library display a sign requesting panelists for the Fireside Chat series, and sharing information throughout the City of Cedarburg.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Identify Future Agenda Items; Action Thereon**

Discussion was held regarding what the Diversity Committee's quantifiable measures of success have been and should be moving forward.

Future actions include continued evaluation of successes and challenges through revisiting the City-wide survey that was issued. Additional discussion was had regarding the need for another committee member and the importance of continued communication with local elected representatives.

**REPORTS**

Connie Kincaide is continuing Braver Angels Moderator training courses.

Kayla Stoflet gave a reminder of the Peace in the Park event time of 4 p.m. - 10 p.m. and notice of set up beginning at 11 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Dr. Joyce Caldwell, seconded by Kayla Stoflet, to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Motion carried without a negative vote with Hayden Knight and Rev. John Norquist excused.

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Connie Kincaide  
Secretary