

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION
November 16, Th – 7:00 PM
VILLAGE HALL – ROOM 101**

PRESENT: Commissioners: Zapler, Mann, Kill, Benkert, Moore, Bell-King, Grimes

ABSENT: Commissioner Wiley

STAFF: Cedric Melton

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Commissioner Mann motioned for agenda approval with Commissioner Zapler providing a second.

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PUBLIC FORUM: Director Melton introduced new Community Relations Intern, Megan Tideman to the group and briefly discussed her role in the department.

Current CRC efforts: Chair Mann began with a brief discussion of the election results and the potential impact it may have on CRC activities. No decision was made regarding this issue at this time.

Brief discussion was held regarding the working group that will be formed to explore what efforts the CRC will undertake as it relates to the Government Alliance on Race and Equality. Commissioner Benkert volunteered to lead this project with Commissioners Kill, Bell-King, and Moore adding their name to the working group. The team will do some initial investigation and report back to the group.

Commissioner Grimes gave an overview of the dinner session held at Pleasant Home. All went well and participants were engaged and enlightened.

There was brief discussion regarding early preparation for the parade as well as Day Festival activity so there is no lag next year on member involvement. Members agreed that early planning would be necessary for successful projects.

A brief recap was held regarding the “Meet the Chief” forum that was held. Members reported that the session was very informative and has started what is hoped to be an ongoing relationship with the Police Department and the CRC.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Mann with a second by Commissioner Moore at 8:30PM.

