

**DUNCANVILLE COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**  
CITY HALL BRIEFING ROOM, 203 E. WHEATLAND ROAD  
FEBRUARY 18, 2016

The Duncanville Community Multicultural Commission (DCMC) held a regular meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 6:39 p.m. with a quorum present, to wit:

Lorraine Hood-Jack, Chair	Linda Lydia (Absent/Excused)
Michael Grace	Lia Polk (Absent/Excused)
Mary Fae Kamm	Ray Uehara
Patrick LeBlanc (Absent/Unexcused)	Janet Watson

Staff: Veronica Williams, Staff Liaison and Recreation Superintendent, and Commission Secretary Pam Willis were city staff present.

**ITEM 1 – Public Discussion Period:**

No one was present for public discussion.

**ITEM 2 – Discussion and Consider Approval of Minutes:**

A motion was made by Commission member Kamm for the minutes from the November 19, 2015 Regular Meeting to be approved as is; a second motion came from Commission member Uehara. A vote was cast with 5 in favor; with 0 opposed. Commission members LeBlanc, Lydia and Polk were absent and therefore did not participate in the vote.

**ITEM 3 – Discuss Commission Financials & Budget Review:**

Since there were still questions regarding the Commission budget, Staff Liaison Williams explained to the Commission the budget process. She explained that the Commission budget is from October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016. Commission Chair Hood-Jack wanted it noted that there was not a copy of the financials in their digital packet or provided. Staff Liaison Williams explained that during the budget process a supplemental budget for Fusion Fest 2016 was proposed; however, when the budget was adopted, the supplemental request was not. The Commission's main concern is how the Fusion Fest 2016 event will be funded without an increase in funds. The monies that were budgeted for the 2016 Fiscal Year will not fund what they had potentially planned.

**ITEM 4 – Commission Informational Handouts:**

Staff Liaison Williams gave each Commission member a stack of their informational handouts that identify them as a member of the Duncanville Multicultural Commission. She suggested to them to hand them out at special events or use them as a social engagement tool.

**ITEM 5 – Fusion Fest Sub-Committee Update:**

It was already decided in a previous meeting that the Fusion Fest Sub-Committee would be absolved. The Commission will work as a group to get the Fusion Fest 2016 event done. Staff Liaison Williams suggested to the Commission that the event could still be accomplished by scaling it back to fit the budget which would require getting sponsorships and possibly partnering with another entity for the event which could possibly be no cost to the Commission. Staff Liaison Williams announced to the Commission that she could ask Ms. Lue Calhoun to come and speak with them regarding scaling the event down. The Commission agreed that having Ms. Calhoun come speak with them would be a great idea. After Ms. Calhoun speaks with them, the Commission would have a better idea of what could be done. They would then check with Council to see if Council was still committed to the event. A motion was made by Commission member Grace to have Ms.

Calhoun come, speak and direct the Commission in preparation for the Fusion Fest event. A second came from Ray Uehara. Staff Liaison Williams noted to the Commission that their next meeting conflicts with Flavor of Duncanville on Thursday, March 17, 2016 which would be a great opportunity for social engagement and getting the community acquainted with the Commission. She asked them if they would like to participate in Flavor of Duncanville instead of having a meeting or have the meeting on a different day. A motion was made by Commission member Wilson and seconded it by Commission member Uehara to change the next meeting date from Thursday, March 17, 2016 to Wednesday, March 16, 2016 and not participate in the Flavor of Duncanville.

**ITEM 6 – Town Hall Meeting Discussion:**

Staff Liaison Williams told the Commission that the next Town Hall Meetings were as follows: Tuesday, March 22, 2016 from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Duncanville Fieldhouse and Tuesday, April 26, 2016 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at Fairmeadows Elementary School. Chair Hood-Jack requested Commission Secretary Willis to send out an email reminder for both meetings. Chair Hood-Jack along with Staff Liaison Williams encouraged the Commission members to attend.

**ITEM 7 – Black History Celebration Discussion:**

Staff Liaison Williams invited Commission members to attend the Black History Celebration beginning Friday night, February 19, 2016 with the showing of “SELMA” at the amphitheater with Movie in the Park and on Saturday, February 20, 2016 with fun and festivities like a Chef presentation and the Steppers at the Recreation Center. She explained that she would have a table setup for meet and greet. Commission member Wilson said she would try to attend at 2:00 pm. Ms. Williams told the Commission that she would have flyers available for them to pass out on Friday if requested.

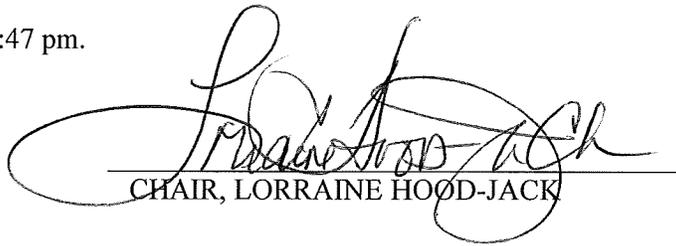
**ITEM 8 – National League of Cities Signage:**

Staff Liaison Williams showed the Commission a large sign that the Public Works Department took down. She explained to the Commission that these signs were commissioned by the Multicultural Commission. Commission member Kamm stated that the sign was from several years back. Ms. Williams asked if the Commission wanted to keep the sign and there was no desire. A motion was made by Commission Kamm; seconded by Commission Uehara to do away with the sign(s). The vote was unanimous with all 5 in favor.

**ITEM 9 – Adjourn Regular Meeting:**

Chair Hood-Jack adjourned the meeting at 7:47 pm.

APPROVED:

  
CHAIR, LORRAINE HOOD-JACK

ATTEST:

  
COMMISSION SECRETARY