

Howard County Council Racial Equity Task Force



Meeting: Racial Equity Task Force – Public Hearing

Date: Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Task Force Members Attending:

Allison Sayers
Aaron Johnson
Allyson Owens
Augustin Bibum
Candace Dodson-Reed
Chiara D'Amore
Dana Davenport
David Koralov
Eduardo Ribeiro
Erika Chavarria
Grace Ko
Jacquelin McCoy

Jessica Coates Jean
Silver-Isenstadt
Jonathan Edelson
Jonathan Branch
Jumel Howard
Karen Randall
Laura Mettle
Mavis Ellis
Maya Carey
Michael Allen
Minah Woo
Myiesha Padder

Natalie Pretzello
Pamela Pina
Phillips Engelke
Rashida George
Roger Barnes
Sanjay Srivastava
Suzanne Haley
Taneeka Richardson
Ying Matties
Yvette Oquendo
Yvonne Commodore-Mensah
Zikora Akanegbu

Task Force Subgroup Members Not Present:

Ayesha Holmes
Beth Hufnagel
Buffy Illum
Bitia Dayhoff
Bruce Nelson
Darin Atwater
Delora Sanchez Ifekauche
Herb Smith, Jr.
Isabella Battish
Ian Kennedy
Jonathan Studdard
Leonardo McClarty
Lucas de Melo
Nathaniel Alston
Nia Leak
Paula Goodwin
Patricia Silva
Kathryn Valentine
Marcus Harris
Meina Liu
Peter Engel
Richard Gibson
Rahel Petros
Sabina Taj
TiQuoria Jackson
Vonda Orders
Young Ran Smith
Zainab Chaudry

Council Staff Members and Facilitators Attending:

Ashley Alston
Felix Facchine
Colette Gelwicks
Michael Harris
Lauren Marra
Karla Morrison-Brooks

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DRAFT Minutes:

I. Call to Order at 6:07 pm.

Allison Sayers, Chair of the Personal and Public Safety subgroup and Jessica Coates, Chair of the Land-Use and Housing Policy subgroup, opened the meeting. The two co-hosts acknowledged the Racial Equity Task Force members and other subgroup Chairs. An brief overview provided the progress of the subgroups work as it relates to the draft recommendations. The hosts provided an overview of the Public Hearing, guidelines for testifying and opportunities to provide testimony.

II. Public Hearing

The Task Force then began hearing testimony from the following members of the public with areas of interest noted beside each name:

1. Jennifer White (Health/Env)
2. Ruth White (Health/Env)
3. Pravin Ponnuri (Health/Env, Econ, Housing, Edu)
4. Sherman Howell (Econ, Housing, Edu)
5. Ming Du (Econ, Safety, Edu)
6. Eduardo Riberio (Safety)
7. Vipin Sahijwani (Safety, Edu)
8. Maggie Lewis (Safety, Edu)
9. Francis Uy (Safety, Housing, Edu)
10. Lisa Markovitz (Housing, Leg)
11. Ainy Haider-Shah (Housing, Leg, Edu)
12. Hiruy Hadgu (Housing)
13. Kerry Hotopp (Housing)
14. Kelly Klinefelter Lee (Edu)
15. Zikora Akanegbu (Edu)
16. Kevin Link (Edu)
17. Jake Burdett (Edu)
18. Sheila Jennifer (Edu)
19. Thais Moreira (Edu)

III. Adjourned at 7:18 pm.