

**CITY OF WARRENVILLE**  
**INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND AWARENESS COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
Tuesday, January 17, 2023  
7:00 pm

**MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Krischel

**B. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Amy Krischel  
Commissioners Johna Davidson, Robin Pelfrey, Sara Phalen, Allison Rojas, Rachel Wood, Emily Yao

ALSO PRESENT: Staff Liaison Paula Krapf, Council Liaison Bill Weidner, and Ex-Officio members Matt Odom (Warrenville Park District),

ABSENT: Ex-Officio members Joe Levy (Warrenville Fire Protection District), Diana Abraham (Warrenville Public Library District), and Limaris Pueyo (CUSD 200 Representative)

**C. CITIZENS 'COMMENTS**

None.

**D. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 18, 2022 MINUTES**

A motion was made by Emily Yao to approve the October 18, 2022 minutes. Motion was seconded by Sara Phalen. The motion was unanimously approved.

**E. STAFF REPORT**

1. Commission is now full!
2. Mariana Ochoa will becoming the official liaison to this commission, as the person with an HR background with be the best for this committee

**F. BUSINESS OF MEETING**

1. INTRODUCE NEW IDEC CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
Johna Davidson, Robin Pelfry

2. FEBRUARY 21, 2023 MEETING

Moving meeting location to Community Development Meeting Room on the First Floor.

A motion was made by Allison Rojas to move the meeting location. Motion was seconded by Robin Pelfry. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. CONSIDERATION OF LAND BLESSING EVENT

Alderman Weidner shared the idea of a land blessing event to honor the native American lands that Warrenville was founded on. More information is being found on websites about specific tribes and ideas.

Information was shared by Commissioner Phalen. Recommended that a few acknowledging sentences could live on a website, or a city visioning document. There are ways to incorporate in public art as well. Cantigny has worked a lot with the Trickster Community (group for indigenous artists). American Indian Council in Chicago could be a good resource as well. Schingoethe Center in Aurora is also a local resource. Commission to confirm if there was a budget to give to a consultant.

Hall of History in City Hall does not go back before the founders of the city, and the city website only mentions Julius Warren. These are areas that need focus.

Awareness effort - update the city website for the history. Next step is for Commission to research and to bring ideas and photos for discussion for the February meeting. Then will send to Communications Lead for the city.

**4. DISCUSSION REGARDING COMMUNITY ART PROJECT IDEAS**

Commissioner Phalen is meeting with some groups to discuss ideas and will update the commission with any new information at the next meeting.

**5. DISCUSSION REGARDING AN OUTREACH EVENTS CALENDAR AND POTENTIAL EVENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Commission has determined that they will participate in 3 outreach events annually + Christmas Tree decorating.

**6. REVIEW & DISCUSS OBJECTIVES LIST**

Extending FY2023 Objectives to FY 2024, will review FY 2024 objectives.

**7. REVIEW & DISCUSS TRAINING GOALS**

Commissioners to find training opportunities to present at next meeting.

**G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Budget needs to get added on to next month for discussion. City's discussion on budgets will happen in March 18th.

**H. ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Chair Krischel to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Phalen and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Yao