

Westminster Inclusivity Board

6:00-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2024, Hybrid Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Present: Seth McGinnis, Rich Chamberlain, Justin Davis, Alan Farb, Jillian Gibson, Miguel Mendoza-Hall, Michelle Zajic, Donna Johnson

Absent: Steve Brachman, Megan Peters, Doug Pfeiffer

Staff / Guests: Kate Cooke, Alex Terci

- Welcome (5 Minutes)
- Old Business (45 Minutes)
 - o Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
 - Moved: Rich; 2nd Alan; passes unopposed
 - Building Community / Outreach
 - Sign Up for WestyFest!
 - Board will have our own tent & table; follow link in agenda to sign up
 - Saturday October 19
 - Arts Week community engagement
 - Working with other organizations to bolster effort
 - Planned for end of April into May; starting now to aid in boosting diversity
 - Partnership event, different than a lot of other city events
 - Hoping to partner with local businesses
 - 3 key focus areas: historic Westminster, downtown Westminster (former mall), Orchard town center
 - Possibly doing music as grant option with local businesses seed money to businesses and they can recruit & add more
 - Mini-murals painted in real-time; hosted by different businesses
 - o Art can be shown in Sheridan pedestrian tunnel
 - o Have enough money for 5 or 6
 - o Show until October, then auction off as fundraiser
 - Supporting local arts community, local artists, etc
 - Vital to make it go beyond one person; a systemic support
 - 40 West in Lakewood as a successful example to emulate
 - Geographic diversity to help unify cause
 - Intern will help identify venues; church spaces?
 - Arts Weeks as standing agenda item
 - [discussion of specific events on Arts Week draft schedule]
 - Getting Hmong community involved
 - Lao Buddhist temple
 - Email ideas to <u>kcooke@westminsterco.gov</u>
 - Committee for inclusive zoning needs to meet Committee for Inclusive Housing - Justin, Rich, Steve. Kate to set up meeting. This should be entitled Inclusive Zoning.
- City Council Report (10 Minutes)
 - Councillor David DeMott

• Community Report

- o What's Happening in the Community?
 - Alan: Indigenous Peoples & Columbus Day proclamations upcoming
 - Alan: Elks reached out to Westy homelessness study group & homelessness foundation.
 - For the next six months, this group will be providing free laundry for the unhoused and economically challenged at two Westminster laundromats one day per month with up to 50 opportunities available.
 - Advertising via word of mouth, handouts, small posters
 - NextDoor & social media also suggested, to get community involvement
 - Alan: Westminster Fish will receive \$5k grant to purchase clothes, etc.
 - Alan: If budget passes, two additional Navigators will be added
 - Alan: Lots of good things happening

Future Meeting topics

- November 13: Election of Officers, Growing Home Community Based Transit Study
 - Planning for future as board members become term limited
 - Whitney with GH will be presenting
- o January 9, 2025: City Special Events Presentation

• Community Event Calendar

- o If interested & available, let Justin & Kate know
- o October 19, 2024 WestyFest
 - Justin will be there
- o November 11, 2024 Veteran's Day Celebration
- o December 7, 2024 Holiday Lighting Celebration