

# 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 Terzi

- **Welcome (5 Minutes)**
- **Old Business (45 Minutes)**
  - Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
    - Moved: Rich; 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 bolder 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
        - Art can be shown in Sheridan pedestrian tunnel
        - Have enough money for 5 or 6
        - 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 [kcooke@westminsterco.gov](mailto:kcooke@westminsterco.gov)
    - Committee for inclusive housing still needs to meet
- **City Council Report (10 Minutes)**
  - Councillor David DeMott
- **Community Report**
  - What's Happening in the Community?

- Indigenous Peoples & Columbus Day proclamations upcoming
- Elks reached out to Westy homelessness study group & homelessness foundation,
  - will host up to 50 people to do laundry every two weeks
  - Not just unhoused; economically disadvantaged too
  - Advertising via word of mouth, handouts, small posters
    - NextDoor & social media also suggested, to get community involvement
  - Westminster Fish will receive \$5k grant to purchase clothes, etc.
  - If budget passes, two additional Navigators will be added
  - 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
  - January 9, 2025: City Special Events Presentation
- **Community Event Calendar**
  - If interested & available, let Justin & Kate know
  - October 19, 2024 - WestyFest
    - Justin will be there
  - November 11, 2024 - Veteran's Day Celebration
  - December 7, 2024 - Holiday Lighting Celebration