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NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION

Work Session Room of City Hall
200 N. Fifth Street
Garland, Texas
March 20, 2025
6:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Community Multicultural Committee of the City of Garland, Texas will be held at the aforementioned location, date, and time to discuss and consider the following agenda items.

AGENDA:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider approval of the minutes for January 25, 2025 meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Committee on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak. Testimony may be held until the item is considered or given at the beginning of any committee meeting. Invited testimony may also occur at any time, subject to a request of the Member of the Committee and with the approval of the Committee Chairperson.

a. CMC Financial Report

City Staff will review FY 2025 CMC budget information.

b. Committee and Event Reports

Committees for the CMC may report out meeting information, individuals who participated in events may also provide information.

c. Review of Monthly Calendar

Staff and the CMC will review the monthly calendar including events for possible participation.

d. CMC Retreat Follow-up & Next Steps

Staff and the Commission will discuss and establish clear markers in the next 60 to 90 days, and recognize key insights from the Community Multicultural Retreat workshop.

e. Discuss and Review Current Swag and Orders Needed for CMC

The Commission will discuss current items ordered for events and discuss the need for new items.

4. ADJOURN

NOTE: A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance and may or may not participate in the discussions of the Committee or board.



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Community Multicultural Commission
Meeting Date: 03/20/2025
Item Title: January 25, 2025 Minutes

1. a.

Summary:

Consider approval of the minutes for January 25, 2025 meeting.

Attachments

January Minutes



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MINUTES

The Community Multicultural Commission of the City of Garland convened in regular session at 8:00 a.m. on January 25, 2025, in the Garland Animal Shelter and Adoption Center Community Room, 1902 Highway 66, with the following members:

- Present:** CorSharra Prenell, Chair
Merrill Balanciere, Vice Chair
Jennifer Nguyen, Board Member
Charles Pickitt, Board Member
Elvia Flores, Board Member
Isaac Abu, Board Member
Justina James, Board Member
Rene Granado, Board Member
Kymberlaine Banks, Board Member
Glenna Saygidia, Board Member
Charles Leonard, Board Member
Jair Garrido, Board Member
Jimmy Tran, Board Member
- Staff Present:** Phil Urrutia, Assistant City Manager
Tracy Allmendinger, Deputy City Secretary
Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary
Courtney Vanover, Department Coordinator II
- Attendees:** Councilmember Kris Beard
Councilmember Dylan Hedrick

Assistant City Manager Phil Urrutia welcomed the Community Multicultural Commission to the City of Garland Animal Shelter, and introduced Councilmembers Kris Beard and Dylan Hedrick, who were in attendance.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider approval of the minutes for December 12, 2024 meeting.

Motion was made by Charles Pickett to approve for the December 12, 2024 meeting, seconded by Kymberlaine Banks. **Motion carried.**

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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There were no speakers for this item.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- a. **Review Strategic Planning Initiative**

Kevin Bullard, Chief Leadership Officer, will review previous strategic planning efforts and guide additions to the plan.

Kevin Bullard, Chief Leadership Officer, facilitated an icebreaker session with the Commission members,

revisiting previous strategic planning efforts. He encouraged discussions on assumptions, had members write down their complaints and assumptions regarding the Community Multicultural Commission (CMC), and led conversations on Commission values. He also guided the integration of fresh insights into the Strategic Plan, encouraging members to propose new elements that would better align with the Commission's evolving goals. Mr. Bullard stressed that his role was not to fix problems but to review the strategic planning process without interfering with the CMC, while urging them to act on their commitments.

b. CMC Financial Report

City Staff will review FY 2025 CMC budget information.

Tracy Allmendinger, Deputy City Secretary, presented the FY 2025 budget on January 21, 2025, and the Commission requested a detailed breakdown of expenditures for future meetings.

c. Committee and Event Reports

Committees for the CMC may report out meeting information, individuals who participated in events may also provide information.

Discussion covered the Christmas on the Square attendance and the need for extra cookies for the 2025 event, along with the MLK parade, Lunar New Year, and Unidos. The Commission was asked to send photos of the events attended to Tracy Allmendinger.

d. Review of Monthly Calendar

Staff and the CMC will review the monthly calendar including events for possible participation.

Staff presented the monthly calendar of upcoming events. The Commission requested Garland Independent School District board meetings, and Garland Youth Council meetings be added to the calendar.

Kymerlaine Banks and Elvia Flores requested tickets to attend the NAACP Winter Ball.

4. ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Commission, and by unanimous consensus, the meeting was adjourned.

CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

/s/ CorSharra Prenell, Chair

/s/ Tracy Allmendinger, Deputy City Secretary



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Community Multicultural Commission

a.

Meeting Date: 03/20/2025

Item Title:

Summary:

CMC Financial Report

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Community Multicultural Commission

b.

Meeting Date: 03/20/2025

Item Title: CMC Monthly Calendar and Event Reports

Summary:

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Meeting Date: 03/20/2025

Item Title: Review of Monthly Calendar

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Event Calendar

| March | | | | |
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| EVENT | LOCATION | DATE | TIME | ORGANIZER |
| GISD School Board - Committee Meetings | 501 S. Jupiter Road | Tuesday, March 11, 2025 | 3 p.m. | GISD |
| City Council Worksession Meeting | City Hall | Monday, March 17, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Regular Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, March 18, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| GISD School Board - Regular Meeting | 501 S. Jupiter Road | Tuesday, March 25, 2025 | 5 p.m. | GISD |
| District 4 Townhall | South Garland Branch Library | Thursday, March 20, 2025 | 6:30 p.m. | City of Garland |
| Garland Youth Council Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, March 25, 2025 | 5:30 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Worksession Meeting | City Hall | Monday, March 31, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| April | | | | |
| EVENT | LOCATION | DATE | TIME | ORGANIZER |
| City Council Regular Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, April 1, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| District 8 Open House | North Garland Branch Library | Thursday, April 3, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| Concert on the Square | Downtown Square | Friday, April 4, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| GISD School Board - Committee Meetings | 501 S. Jupiter Road | Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 3 p.m. | GISD |
| Garland Youth Council Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 5:30 p.m. | City of Garland |
| Unidos | 1891 Forest Lane | Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 7 p.m. | GPD |
| District 2 Townhall | Granger Recreation Center | Wednesday, April 9, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Worksession Meeting | City Hall | Monday, April 14, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Regular Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, April 15, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| Trunk-N-Hunt | Complex | Wednesday, April 16, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| District 7 Townhall | TBD | Wednesday, April 17, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| GISD School Board - Regular Meeting | 501 S. Jupiter Road | Tuesday, April 22, 2025 | 5 p.m. | GISD |
| May | | | | |
| EVENT | LOCATION | DATE | TIME | ORGANIZER |
| May 2 Concert on The Square | Downtown Square | Friday, May 2, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| May 3 General and Bond Election | | Saturday, May 3, 2025 | 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. | Dallas County |
| City Council Worksession Meeting | City Hall | Monday, May 5, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Regular Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, May 6, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| GISD School Board - Committee Meeting | 501 S. Jupiter Road | Tuesday, May 13, 2025 | 3 p.m. | GISD |
| Garland Youth Council Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, May 13, 2025 | 5:30 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Worksession Meeting | City Hall | Monday, May 19, 2025 | 6 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Regular Meeting | City Hall | Tuesday, May 20, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| City Council Special Meeting - Election Canvass | City Hall | Tuesday, May 13, 2025 | 7 p.m. | City of Garland |
| GISD School Board - Regular Meeting | 501 S. Jupiter Road | Tuesday, May 27, 2025 | 5 p.m. | GISD |



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