



City of Huber Heights
Culture and Diversity Citizen Action Commission
City Hall- Council Chambers
6131 Taylorville Road
Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2025
6:00 P.M.

1. Call meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Yolanda Stephens Mrs. Newby Al-Nasir, Mr. Corey Owens, Mr. Arrick Richardson, Mr. Bayram Gulaliev, Mr. Ibragim Chakhaldze

Absent: Mrs. Newby Al-Nasir, Ms. Chirsty Trotter

Note: Let the record reflect that these absences were excused.

3. Approval of Minutes

The prior meeting minutes were unanimously approved with the understanding that corrections would be made.

- A. Citizens Comments: No comments.

4. Old Business

- A. Nomination and vote for new chair/ vice Chair: Due to limited attendance, a motion was made and passed to postpone nominations until the April meeting when new commission member Ms. Honaker is officially seated.

- B. Juneteenth Planning Update: Vendor outreach is ongoing. Most food vendors from last year have been contacted and a few new ones added. Retail vendor outreach underway by Ms. Trotter and Mr. Owens; issues with the registration link were reported and will be followed up with Sarah F. Educational elements being explored including possible exhibits from DML and the African American Museum. QR codes may be used to guide attendees to online educational materials. Police Explorers contacted for parking assistance awaiting response. Talent scouting for performers continues, with decisions expected by the March 12 planning meeting. Staff Liaison reported discussions with Kettering Health on providing educational resources on prevention instead of onsite testing.

- C. Multicultural Festival: Early-stage planning underway. Mr. Gulaliev committed to reaching out to cultural groups from last year and those attending the May DIFI event. Need for food truck confirmations and performance lineup discussed. Task



force leader designation pending. An agreement to prepare flyers or save-the-date materials in time for Juneteenth to promote the Multicultural Festival. Flyer support requested from Mrs. Stephens; event date to be confirmed on city calendar.

5. New Business:

- A. Needs Assessment Update: RAMA completed the assessment report. Final edits are underway, mostly for formatting and readability. Commission will receive the full report by March 14, 2025. A Planning Team meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2025, followed by a Community Workshop on April 2, 2025. Concerns were raised about commission involvement and access to data before public release. Staff liaison acknowledged these concerns and committed to advocating for increased transparency and inclusion. Discussion held about the possibility of scheduling a special meeting before the workshop to review the report as a Commission.
- B. Volunteer Form Revamp: Sarah F. is working on a citywide volunteer platform expected before Juneteenth. This will allow for broader community participation in city events.
- C. Commission Membership: New member Ms. Honaker was welcomed. Staff liaison reported potential interest from a representative of Huber Heights City Schools; a meeting is pending. Clarification requested on the commission's involvement in the recruitment and onboarding process for new members.

6. Next Meeting April 3, 2025

7. Adjournment: 7:02 P.M.

Christy Trotter, Interim Chair

Date

Jeffrey Adams Jr, Interim Chair

Date