

GARLAND
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
COMMUNITY MULTICULTURAL COMMISSION (CMC)
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerry Apodaca
Sunbola Ashimi
Dorothy Brooks
Joe L. Garcia
Hubert Hartin
Koni Ramos Kaiwi
Virginia McClary
Diana O'Hearn
Adriana Sanchez-Liberto

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dassa Giles
Jennifer Nguyen
Jaime Ornelas
Clay Womack

STAFF

Priscilla Wilson, Staff Liaison
Rosalinda Martinez, CMC Secretary

GUESTS

Michael Apodaca
Robert McClary
Anthony Wild
Corina Wild
Jan O'Neal
John Kaiwi

Mary Alice Cardenas
Yolanda Pace
Ruby Morris
Sal Liberto
Martha Metzger

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Chair Koni Ramos Kaiwi.

Approval of Minutes

Jerry Apodaca motioned to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2008 meeting; seconded by Hubert Hartin; approved unanimously.

Chair's Briefing

Koni Ramos Kaiwi stated she attended the following events:

January 8: GPD Unidos Meeting
January 19: Garland NAACP MLK Parade
February 13: Community Leaders Meeting with Chief Mitch Bates
February 15: Garland NAACP Winter Ball
February 19: Hispanic Advisory Committee Meeting

Koni provided an update to the CMC regarding each event/meeting attended.

Koni reminded the members that the March meeting would be the second Tuesday on March 13 due to Spring Break.

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Staff's Briefing

Priscilla stated that at a recent City Council Work Session, Chief Bates presented information on racial profiling. Chief Bates can be invited to make a presentation to the CMC. This item can be placed on a CMC subcommittee.

Priscilla stated that the Mayor and Council approved a resolution condemning racism at the February 5, 2008 City Council Meeting. Graffiti was seen recently in Garland and the Mayor would like the CMC to discuss and then make a presentation to Council on this. This item can be placed in a CMC subcommittee.

Priscilla informed the members that on Monday, February 25, the Mayor will present the State of the City at the Garland Chamber monthly luncheon.

Recognition of Volunteers

Koni Kaiwi thanked all the volunteers at the meeting. The chair presented "You Make A Difference" certificates in appreciation of their volunteer time to: Michael Apodaca, Mary Alice Cardenas, Yolanda Pace, Virginia McClary, Ruby Morris, Anthony Wild, Sal Liberto, Jan O'Neal, Martha Metzger. Not present to receive their certificates were Chief Mitch Bates, Jose Hurtado, Hector Cardenas, Katleen Hansrote, Karen Dunning, Tiffany Dickson, Eli Browning, Loretta Browning, Jaime Ornelas, Elva Christensen and Gloria Sanchez Weber.

Adjourn

Joe Garcia motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m.; seconded by Virginia McClary; approved unanimously.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Rosalinda Martinez
CMC Secretary

Koni Ramos Kaiwi
CMC Chair

Date

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