

# City of Lee's Summit, MO Human Relations Commission

Summary of the January 24, 2022 Meeting

#### **Members Present:**

Vanessa Hickman Tony Meyer Anne Wallace Christy Engemann Astra Garner Fel Bagunu

### City Staff:

Anita Dickey Stacy Lombardo

#### I. Call to order

Chairperson Hickman called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and welcomed two new Commissioners to the group.

## 2. Approval of August 23 and November 22, 2021 meeting summary

A motion was made by Commissioner Wallace, seconded by Commissioner Engemann to approve the August and November 2021 Action Letters. The motion carried by a unanimous 6-0 vote (Commissioners Birmingham, Schuler and Novogoratz "Absent").

#### 3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

### 4. Mayor's Character Breakfast

Chairperson Hickman reported this year's Martin Luther King Jr. event was cancelled due to Covid and next year will probably be the same. See asked Commissioners to please submit their ideas to add to the program and involve all aspects of culture. The theme is "Be the Light".

Commissioner Bagunu provided information regarding the Mayor's Character Breakfast. The event is hosted by Lee's Summit CARES and will be held at John Knox Pavilion. They are expecting 600 people and tickets are \$20, there are still some left. Joe Goldberg is the scheduled speaker.

# 5. Take Time To Be Kind update

Chairperson Hickman stated a video was made promoting Take Time To Be Kind Day and it will be shown at the Mayor's Character Breakfast. She then gave a brief summary of the background and events held for this initiative.

# 6. Roundtable

Everyone welcomed the new members and thanked them for their help. Both new members thanked Mayor Baird for inviting them to participate in this group and asked what items the commission is working on. The group would like to meet in person at their March meeting.



The next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2022.

# 7. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairperson Hickman adjourned the January 24, 2022 meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Stacy Lombardo