



# LEE'S SUMMIT MISSOURI

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

Summary of the June 27, 2022 Meeting

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**Members Present:**

Vanessa Hickman  
Tony Meyer  
Karen Schuler  
Dr. Fel Bagunu  
Jennifer Novogoratz  
Astra Garner

**City Staff:**

Anita Dickey  
Stacy Lombardo

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**Call to order**

Chairperson Hickman called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

**3. Approval of the May 23, 2022 meeting summary**

A motion was made by Commissioner Schuler, seconded by Commissioner Bagunu, to approve the May 23, 2022 Action Letter. The motion carried by a unanimous 6-0 vote (Commissioners Birmingham, Engemann, and Wallace "Absent").

**4. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**5. Discuss Community Service Opportunity**

Chairperson Hickman reported Culver's on Douglas offered to give 10% of their proceeds on July 18, 2022 for gas cards to support the "Keep Spreading Kindness" initiative. She asked for volunteers.

There was a brief discussion about the Martin Luther King Jr. Day event to be held at the John Knox Pavilion in January. Ms. Hickman stated it will look a little different this year as it will be more of a program. She said she is considering not having a speaker to make room for other performers. All commissioners were encouraged to keep sending in their ideas.

**6. Discuss future agenda items**

The Commission discussed a Multi-Cultural Festival, an Annual Scavenger Hunt and a Kids Art Festival. The Arts Council is awarded grants and they are willing to participate. The discussion then turned to fundraising verses sponsors. A budget would need to be determined for vendors, security, insurance, food and alcohol. Food and alcohol would be needed to draw in visitors but they generate money. Mrs. Anita Dickey, Human Resources Director, will check with the Law Department for guidance. It was also suggested to check with other organizations to see how they accomplish putting on festivals and to inquire on the Farmers Market as a possible site.



**7. Roundtable**

It was reported that the Diversity and Inclusion Commission will soon be holding a focus group involving senior citizens.

Shelly Sanders was contacted and she would be happy to attend any of the Commission's meetings to discuss Diversity and Inclusion in the R-7 school district.

Rediscover's Art After Dark will be held August 5, 2022 from 6:00-10:00 at the Grandview Amphitheater.

**8. Adjournment**

Chairperson Hickman adjourned the June 27, 2022 meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Stacy Lombardo