



# **CITY OF WORCESTER**

## **CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES**

### **CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, August 11, 2014 6:00 PM**

**Worcester City Hall, Levi Lincoln Jr. Chamber**

**Present:**

District 1, Richard Trifone  
District 3, Tina Baxter  
District 3, Wilberto Soto  
District 4, Theodore Kostas  
District 4, Jesse Gibson  
District 5, Douglas Hannam

**Excused:**

District 5, Steve Genduso, Chairperson  
District 2, Christopher Roberge, Vice Chairperson  
District 1, Coreen Gaffney  
Angela Jones, At-Large

**Staff:**

Jeannie Michelson, City Manager's Office

1. Rich called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.
2. Rich asked if anyone had questions about the minutes from June 19, 2014.
3. It was motioned to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved
4. Outreach Opportunities –
  - a. Opportunities Fair, Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm – 7pm at Worcester State University, Student Center Blue Room
    - i. Tina, Doug, Wilberto agreed to be at this event
  - b. Education Summit for Parents, Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 2:30pm at Belmont AME Zion Church, 55 Illinois Ave
    - i. Jesse and Wilberto agreed to be at this event
5. Project Management-
  - a. Outreach to faith based organizations – tabled until September meeting
  - b. NAACP – Meeting is scheduled for September – Angela has been in contact with Pat Yancey
  - c. Workforce Development Events –
    - i. Wilberto spoke with Harvis Dilione and indicated that the job fair would not be a good fit for volunteer opportunities. However, they will have a volunteer fair. Wilbert to let us know the date when it becomes available.
    - ii. LinkedIn update: Tina reminded us that the LinkedIn site is set up and any of us could post updates.
6. Rich called the selection portion of the meeting to order at 6:15pm and asked if anyone that was already there would like to go first.

7. Rich and all CAC members introduced themselves to the public.
8. Rich explained the appointment process.
9. Michael Grandone – Civic Center Commission – 5 – 1
10. Abigail Averbach – (telephone interview) Board of Health – 6 – 0
11. David Minasian – (Skype interview) WRA – 6 – 0
12. Ahmed Ahmed – Parks Commission – 2 – 4
13. Augustin Arsenault III – Elder Affairs – 4 – 2
14. Doreen Beauchene – CDAC – 3 – 3
15. Sandra Bisson – Elder Affairs – Doug had to recuse himself because Sandra is a relative.  
No vote because a quorum of CAC members was not available. Sandra to return in September.
16. John Brissette – Civic Center Commission – 6 – 0
17. Joanne Calista – Board of Health – 6 – 0
18. Etel Capacchione – CDAC – 6 – 0
19. Nicholas Chacharone – Parks Commission – 6 – 0
20. Matthew Fonseca – Elder Affairs Commission – 6 – 0
21. John Ford – Board of Health – 6 – 0
22. Charles Fox – Board of Health – 6 – 0
23. Gerry Gurwitz – Board of Health – 6 – 0
24. Athena Haddon – Status of Women – 6 – 0
25. Robin Kennedy – Human Rights Commission – 6 – 0
26. Yolando Matias – CDAC - Did not attend meeting
27. Daniel Nanni – WRA and GAR Hall - Did not attend meeting
28. Nathaniel Needle – Disabilities - Was at meeting but left due to illness before name was called
29. Talena Ngo – WRA – 5 – 1
30. Talena Ngo – Status of Women – 1 – 5
31. Elizabeth Nguyen – Elder Affairs – 6 – 0
32. James O'Brien – Elder Affairs – 6 – 0
33. Joseph Prochilo – Cable TV – 4 – 2
34. Joseph Prochilo – Disabilities – 6 – 0
35. Stephen Sargent – Parks Commission – 6 – 0
36. Walter Shea – License Commission – 6 – 0
37. Lamont Slater – Human Rights – Did not attend meeting.
38. Scott Zoback – Hope Cemetery – 6 – 0 (removed his name from consideration for Human Rights and Civic Center)
39. Jennifer Madson – Board of Health – 2 – 4
40. Jennifer Madson – Status of Women – 6 – 0
41. Wayne Glazier – Board of Health – 6 - 0
42. The next meeting is a selection meeting on September 17, 2014 in the Saxe Room of the Worcester Public Library at 6PM.
43. Meeting was adjourned at 10:05pm

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Approved: 9/17/14 6 - 0