

CITY OF WORCESTER

CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL SELECTION MEETING

Thursday, March 31, 2022 6:30 PM

WebEx Virtual Meeting - ID 160 184 4534

Call in number: 1-415-655-0001 - Access code: 160 184 4534

Present: District 1, Gerardo Schiano, Chairperson

District 1, Alan Larrivee District 3, Ken Asafo-Adjei

District 4, Janny Nivar De Reyes

District 4, Benetta Kuffour District 5, Carol Stovall At-Large, Jenny Pacillo

Absent: District 2, Rachel Brown

District 2, Elle Parker

Guest: Eric Batista, Assistant City Manager

Staff: Jeannie Michelson, City Manager's Office

- 1. Gerardo called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- 2. 7 members were present.
- 3. Carol made a motion to accept the minutes from 3/14/22. Jenny 2nd the motion. Minutes of 3/14/22 were approved.
- 4. Eric Batista spoke about the Commission on Latino Affairs and answered questions by the CAC.
- 5. Applicant Interviews:
 - a. German Chiriboga
 - i. Latino Affairs: NO SHOW
 - b. Alexander Elton
 - i. Urban Forestry: 7 0
 - c. Margarita Navarro
 - i. Latino Affairs: NO SHOW
 - ii. Diversity and Inclusion: NO SHOW
 - d. Leopoldo Negron Cruz
 - i. Latino Affairs: 7 0
 - e. Mitchell Shepherd

- i. Affordable Housing: 4 2 (Benetta Kuffour recused from voting)
- ii. Human Rights Commission: 6 1
- f. Tony Sousa
 - i. Planning Board: NO SHOW
- g. Francisco Valdes
 - i. Affordable Housing Trust Fund: NO SHOW
 - ii. Latino Affairs: NO SHOW
- 6. Discussion about lack of applicants for Commission on Latino Affairs
 - a. Provide flier in multiple languages
 - b. Go on radio shows, esp. Spanish speaking shows
 - i. Janny is willing to go on radio
 - c. WCCA TV Check with Mauro to see if we can go on any Spanish stations
 - d. Jenny mentioned churches
 - i. Jeannie will send church memo to Gerardo for edits to go on the April agenda.
- 7. Jeannie announced that tonight is Ken's last meeting after serving 2 full terms.
- 8. The next meeting is a business meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:30PM.
- 9. Ken made a motion to adjourn. Janny 2nd the motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 7:24pm.

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