

Minutes
District #4 Community Advisory Council
June 12th , 2023
WCCCD Eastern Campus, Community Room
5901 Conner St, Detroit, MI 48213

Opening Remarks (Chairperson Jocelyn Harris):

Thanks Vice Chairperson for getting the location & welcomes youth.

Minutes shared in anticipation of a Quorum (Vice Chairperson Dennis Bryant)

I. Call to Order and Roll Call (Chairperson Jocelyn Harris)

Member Adrian Green leads prayer.

Roll Call

Vice Chairperson Dennis Bryant does roll:

Chairperson Harris, Present

VC Bryant, Present

Secretary Scotty Boman, Excused absense

Rose Jones, Present (via Zoom)

Adrian Green, Present

Treasurer (Senior Issues Representative) Sandra Turner Handy (Medical absence)

Quorum not acknowledged as such by the Chairperson.

Community Introductions

Youth guests attending meeting introduce themselves. Shanell and others (Background noise makes it hard to hear)

Others in audience introduce themselves. President of 48215 Block club, Kinda Anderson, Chief White's representative, Jay Juergensen from Jefferson Chalmers water project.

II. Adoption of Agenda

One item is "Real Community Engagement"

Meeting in small groups.

III Approval of Minutes

Vice Chairperson Dennis Bryant acted as Secretary in Scotty Boman's absence.

IV. Presentations, Hearings, and Discussions

1. Youth member (Update by Adrian Green). City Council approved the appointment of Ruth Zungunde. City Council forwarded her contact information to the City Clerk's office. Ruth is awaiting an opportunity to be sworn in by the Clerk.

2. Adrian Green reviewed the Charter and verified that four members were a quorum.
3. Dennis Bryant moves to approve the minutes. Seconded by Adrian Green. Approved by those present.

Spacial project and Policy Liaison Marcellus Kibby from DPD spoke.

V. Unfinished Business

[Silent gaps in recording]

Comment about eventually coming to 48221, it will eventually have a program whereby to get the most money one must live in the property for about 6 months.

VI. New Business

1. Miscellaneous: Comments about exercise and a “Gigantic milkshake.”

Cookie Moore asks someone to mute a device.

Person calls out to person with a phone number to mute one's self.

2. Break-out program: Chairperson Jocelyn Harris is using a form to develop a “paper trail” to enable residents to bring concerns to the City Council and also to alert the CAC's for their concerns.

- a. There will be table leaders who will be reviewing the form to see how well it will work.
- b. Identify: Problem, ways to solve it, and expected outcomes.
- c. Jay Juergensen will discuss environmental concerns at one of the tables.
- d. Kinda Anderson will be at a table focussed on young person's issues.
- e. Another group focused on safety.
- f. Table on money.

VII. Reports

1. 8:45 PM Brief 1 minute summaries from each group (table):

- a. On off line options needed for participation. Topics: Environment, weather, water and transparency.
- b. Detroit Land-bank and Youth. Some people wanted to dissolve the Land-bank.
- c. Blight and safety. Topics: Land-bank & home occupancy. People at table suggested having non-profits take over land-bank properties.
- d. Violence and Schools.
- e. Money. Topics: Student council, honor society, recreation center, trash-pickup, and housing.

f. Issues like Land, fast driving on the streets, and others come up repeatedly. The consensus was a need to educate people about who the correct public officials are to handle particular problems. Chairperson Harris suggests a flow chart to share with the community. Also considered as a topic for the August meeting.

VIII. Public Comment

Orders of the day. Residents invited to comment directly to CAC members if they had additional concerns.

IX. Adjournment

Moved Adrian Green, seconded Dennis Bryant, and approved without objection.