

Detroit District 4 Community Advisory Council
7:00 PM EST January 8th 2024
Virtual via Zoom Teleconference

Opening Prayer (Adrian Green)

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

A. Call to order (Chairperson Jocelyn Harris) **7:04 PM**

[A Zoom failure caused an interruption in the meeting which re-zoomed via another account.]

B. Roll call (Secretary Scotty Boman)

Chairperson Jocelyn Harris, **present**

Vice Chairperson Dennis Bryant, **present**

Treasurer (Senior Issues Representative) Sandra Turner-Handy, **present**

Corresponding Secretary Rose Jones, **Present**

Parliamentarian Adrian Green, **Present**

Secretary Scotty Boman, **present**

Youth Member Ruth Zungunde, **present**

C. Acknowledge elected officials (or Representatives) & Community members.

Former State Representative Cynthia A. Johnson, Representative Jo Tate's staff member Bobby Lawrence, Linda Campbell from Detroit People's Platform (DPP)

II. Adoption of Agenda

A. Parliamentarian Adrian Green Moved to adopt the agenda.

Dennis Bryant Seconded the motion

All voted yea by roll call.

III. Approval of November Minutes (Secretary Scotty Boman)

Adrian Green Moved to approve.

Sandra Turner-Handy seconded the motion.

All voted to approve by roll call.

IV. Presentations, Hearings, and Discussions

Community member questions for elected officials limited to 1 minute each or 3 minutes total.

E. Detroit People's Platform Presentation on December 6th Workgroup meeting. (Linda Campbell)

Meeting on Tuesday December 5th with a well structured agenda and future plans.

Work Groups (most have follow-up meetings):

Communications (Need people) Samara Hill.

Land (Dec 6) Michelle will set a work-group meeting date.

Economic Development (Toinu)

Land (Michelle Jackson needs people)

Governance Linda Campbell setting a meeting for next week.

(Brenda Butler called it "All about us District 4 Community." Mark Owens)

Public Safety and Security.

Basic needs (Dec 6) and meet next week at Samaritan Center Jan 10 4:30 PM Rom 3222. (Minya Irby)

* Linda Campbell shared email for interested persons: Linda@DetroitPeoplesPlatform.org

V. Unfinished Business

A. Workgroup organizers concerns & appeal for more participants.

(Limit comments to workgroup leaders)

B. Priority issues based on survey results (Vice Chairperson Dennis Bryant).

Survey link in the Chat (for community members to share with neighbors):

<https://detroitmi.gov/government/city-council/city-council-district-4/district-4-community-advisory-council>

Only about 30 respondents so far.

In Response to Scotty Boman Dennis said the top three issues (thus far) were: Blight, crime and community development

C. Mayoral meeting plans (update and planning by CAC members).

Chair Harris made a phone call and got confirmation from the Mayor's office that Erin Harris said they are working toward a date in February or March.

D. City council meeting plans (letter & planning by CAC members).

Rose Jones said we need to send it to the Clerk

E. Barrier removal resolution (no interest).

F. Land Value Tax (LVT) Update.

Wednesday (January 10th) in Lansing. Cynthia A. Johnson has been organizing Lansing visits.

VI. New Business

A. Redistricting preferences and resolution.

Sandra Turner-Handy reviewed maps with the members.

She liked Version 3

She heard that map would be taken out because the District 3 council representative person would need to move.

Additional Discussion.

Motion: Resolution expressing preference for District 4 Boundaries in version 3 map.

Moved by Scotty Boman

Seconded by Sandra Turner-Handy

Motion passed by unanimous roll-call vote.

City Clerk and CC City Council

B. Announce and initiate plan for Election of Officer's at March meeting.

Announced.

VII. Reports

A. Chairperson's Report (Jocelyn Harris) Focused on Holiday Celebration.

B. Treasurer's report (Senior Issues Representative) Sandra Turner-Handy

[Depending on Latonya Foster's report since she organized a money intensive event]

C. Report on Holiday Celebration Jocelyn & Latonya Foster.

Recognition of Latonya Foster. She addressed those attending the meeting and gave thanks to everyone there.

17 donations. Received: \$740. Spent: \$553. Balance: \$187. Cash, cards & Services.

In kind contributions (Oak-street, Detroit Soul, Lilian Parkway). Mike Harris, Sloan Cliff, Martel

Simmons, Latisha Johnson, Detroit Soul, Lory Parks, Bobby Lawrence,

Santa agreed to cover his new suit.

Offered to send the members a report.

D. Other CAC member reports.

Other grants announced by Sandra Turner-Handy
Have City of Detroit (CVI) Community Violence Intervention
Awarded a State of Michigan CVI grant January-December 2025 to
Denby Neighborhood Alliance, Camp restore Detroit, and Wayne Metro.
Also Gratiot Finley and LaSelle College Park added on.
From Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) for Radio Patrols and
organizing block clubs.

9th precinct: Sandra Turner-Handy commenting on homicides down and grants for safety.
Allowing Residents to be eyes and ears for their community

Dennis picked up when Harris lost his connection
President Sharita Pierce spoke about the Strength in Unity Newsletter.
bd4cnewsletter@gmail.com

They have a meeting every third Wednesday of the month.
Land bank person at next meeting. (Jan. 10) exception to the rule.
Wish to redesignate land to put structures on lots and keep out vice related activity.

VIII. Public Comment (3 minutes each with priority given to attendees who haven't had a turn earlier.)

Brenda Butler brought up 3 resignations for Reparations team.
Northwest Activity Center
The most recent meeting started 40 minutes late (Zoom component) and ended early
“We must get on top of Detroit Reparations”
Detroit for Tax Justice has a fundraiser in May.
Tax captures are a topic too.
Harris thought the live part of the meeting went well

IX. Adjournment

Moved by Adrian Green.
Seconded by Rose Jones.
Ruth already left.
All others voted to adjourn in a roll call vote.