

# **City Of Bloomington Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs**

#### Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at 5:30 Hooker #245, City Hall 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, IN 47404 MINUTES

**In Attendance:** Gavin Everett, Amy Oakley, Shelley Salle, Adriana Mendoza, Israel Herrera, Ivan Maceda

Not in Attendance: Nico Sigler, Ricardo Martins, Ruben Marte

Also in Attendance: Gus Gonzalez (IU Student, Flowermouth), Jacob Simpson (Human Rights Commission), Rachael Glago (Arts Commission, Midway Music)

Meeting called to order by Gavin Everett at 5:32pm

### Guest(s):

- I. Approval of minutes
  - i. Shelley Salle motions to approve; Adriana Mendoza seconds
- II. Liaison Report
  - i. Fiesta del Otoño September 21st, 10am-1pm at City Hall
    - 1. CHLA will participate as a commission

### III. Commission event's recap

- 1. Bloomington Black y Brown Arts Festival
  - i.
- 2. Police workshop at VIM

# III. Current business

- a. Health and Public Safety Report
  - i. Sheriffs ICE holds we need a discussion regarding what we can and cannot do as a commission. Sheriff is doing ICE holds; this is a "favor" when ICE requests a hold.
  - ii. Violation of 4<sup>th</sup> amendment; hearings currently taking place in Indianapolis.
  - iii. Two people were arrested for misdemeanors and released by the judge and Ice was called.
  - iv. Shelley asks that the commission speak out on this. We need to talk about how to do this.
  - v. People need to be carrying identification showing/proving that they have been in the country for at least 2 years (this could be a phone bill, electric bill, etc., needs to include a date) We need to get the information for circulating flyers
- b. Cultural Competency Committee report

i. Black y Brown Arts Festival – Rachel Glago introduces MidWay Music midwaymusicspeaks.com – Will have musical groups at several Bloomington locations during the week of Black y Brown Arts Festival. MidWay is interested in a partnership. Gavin and Amy will be meeting with others on the planning commission in August and will propose the partnership

- c. Education-
  - 1. Latinx Camp- Next step

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i. Is there a playbook in place? Amy will reach out to Monica to see what tangibles we can provide the city to look at.

- 2. NHHM Award Ceremony- Monday September 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-6:30, Monroe Co. Public Library
  - **i.** Mayor Hamilton is slotted to attend
  - **ii.** How do we want to organize the program? Thought is for the Community awards to be presented.
- 3. Proposal request from League of Women Voters
  - i. Shelley Salle motions to approve; Israel Herrera seconds
- d. Current Issues
  - 1. Huntingburg, Indiana

i. Luis Fuentes-Rohwer got a call from the Mayor of Huntingburg and he wants help with resources to provide to the city's Hispanic and Latino community members which make up 1/3 of the population.

2. Farmer's Market- Farmers market task: Growing Produce class- Fairview – Taught by Kyle Billman

i. Gavin wants to help create more representation at the market for POC by incorporating children selling vegetables (that they've grown) at the market for a few weeks

# V. Additional Items

i. County Commissions event at BJ's to collaborate with City Commissioners on how we can find ways to improve the experiences of the residents of Monroe County.
ii. Jacob Simpson would like to know how the Human Rights Commission can connect with CHLA and other commissions that work with underrepresented populations. How can the Human Rights Commission support our commission. Would like to have a liaison from the Human Rights Commission attend our meetings.

iii. Gus would like to be a resource to the commission

### VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm

Next meeting date: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 5:30 PM Hooker #245

Gavin Everett, Chair Ricardo Martins, Vice Chair Amy Oakley, Secretary Ruben Marte, Commissioner Israel Herrera, Commissioner Shelley Sallee, Commissioner Nico Sigler, Commissioner Adriana Mendoza, Commissioner Ivan Maceda, Commissioner

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