



**City Of Bloomington
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Wednesday, June 30, 2021

Minutes

The Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs (CHLA) works to identify and research the issues which impact the Hispanic and Latino populations in Bloomington, especially in the areas of health, education, public safety and cultural competency. CHLA responsibilities include: developing action committees, promote positive remedies for issues confronting Latinos, network with like-minded organizations, and celebrate Latino and Hispanic history and contributions to the Bloomington Community.

In Attendance: Amy Oakley, Ruben Martí, Nico Sigler, Shelley Sallee, Francisco Ruiz, Dairo Baez, Josefa Madrigal

Not in Attendance: Pedro Ramirez, Luis Fuentes-Rowher,

Guest(s): Barbara McKinney (Asst. City Attorney), Israel Herrera

- I. Approval of May 2021 minutes
 - a. Shelley motions to approve, Ruben seconds. May 2021 minutes approved.
- II. Liaison Report
 - a. Adopting Hybrid Policy for CHLA Public Meetings
 - i. Barbara McKinney reports that governors executive order to do virtual meetings expires today and will likely not be renewed
 - ii. Boards and commissions will be required to meet in person unless your commission passes an electronics media policy
 - iii. Motion to adopt the Resolution 2101 for Electronic Means of Communication
 1. Shelley Motions to approve; Amy seconds; all in favor Nico – yes, Shelley – yes, Fran – yes, Ruben – yes. Motion passes.
- III. Current business
 - a. Health and Public Safety Report
 - i. The clinic continues to see a lot of patients many with COVID symptoms.
 - ii. Once students get back Ruben would like to connect with them to see how they are feeling about policing and cultural competency trainings
 - b. Cultural Competency
 - i. El Mercado
 1. El Mercado market continues to grow and had nearly 450 ppl in attendance
 2. Hoping to get food trucks at future events and continue to grow and support the artists
 - ii. Black y Brown Arts Festival –
 1. Reaching out to Black/African American/Latinxoa/Hispanic Artists
 2. August 8 (Sunday)
 3. Hispanic/Latino artist (all type of art)
 4. Switchyard Park
 5. CHLA, Safe and Civil City, ESD, Parks and Recreation, Banneker Center
 - c. Education
 - i. N/A – Luis not present
- IV. **Additional/New Items**
 - a. Shelley Sallee has submitted her resignation to the commission

V. Guests/Public Comment (Please allow 3-5 minutes per guest)

- a. Israel attended the Latino caucus and there is a plan to speak with universities about driver's licenses/ID Cards. They plan to come to Bloomington on July 14th and are seeing state support. Many undocumented individuals are unable to secure housing, food from food banks, or other support without proper identification.

VI. Adjournment

- a. Shelley motions to adjourn the meeting, Ruben seconds. Meeting adjourned at 6:11p.m.

Next meeting July 28, 2021 @ 5:30pm