10. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chair Sutton.

20. Roll Call:
Commission Chair Shirley Sutton (excused) Commissioner Pining Reyes (excused)
Commission Vice Chair Glenda Powell-Freeman Commissioner Marilyn Calbert
Commissioner Rosamaria Graziani Council Liaison Mark Smith
Commissioner Gloria Sepulveda Staff Member Julie Moore
Commissioner Angel Shimelish

Commissioners welcomed new Council Liaison Christopher Boyer.

30. Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Calbert motioned to approve the meeting minutes from January 8, 2013, Vice Chair Powell-Freeman seconded the motion. Minutes unanimously approved.

40. Public Comments: None

50. New Business:
50.1 Stand Against Racism Event: Staff Member Julie Moore reported to Commissioners that the YWCA hosts an annual nation-wide event called Stand Against Racism and this year’s event is set for Friday, April 26. The YWCA is interested in partnering with the Diversity Commission to host an event in Lynnwood. Commissioners discussed several ideas for this event including hosting at a local school so that teens can participate, and hosting it on the Civic Campus right next to the Library. Julie will follow up with the YWCA and connect with the school district to see if they are interested in partner on this event.

60. Old Business:
60.1 Mission Statement Creation: Commissioners continued discussion on the mission statement. A draft statement was created: “The mission of the Diversity Commission is to foster an environment of mutual respect and understanding for all people in Lynnwood by connecting, sponsoring, and supporting community building.”

60.2 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Recap: Staff Member Julie Moore thanked all the Commissioners for their participation in the MLK Celebration. To date, this was the highest attended MLK Celebration. Kudos were given to Shirley Sutton for leading the planning committee and providing an opportunity for such a high caliber event in our community.

60.3 Commission Annual Report: Commissioners were asked if there were any final comments or suggestions on the 2012 Annual Report. This report will be submitted to City Council on Tuesday, February 19.

60.4 Spring Forum Planning: Commissioners continued discussion of possible forum topics. Staff Member Julie Moore reported that she connected with the Chief of Police and his administration has suggested that cultural issues in relation to Domestic Violence are a current issue for the Police Department. Another suggestion was to host ‘critical conversations’ which would include soliciting information from our community to learn what obstacles they face in regards to participating in community events, providing...
feedback to local government, volunteering, etc. Discussion will continue at the March
Commission meeting.

70. **Staff Update:** Staff Member Julie Moore reported that she will be presenting to the
Director’s the plan of action to create and execute the Translation Initiative. She reported
that the Diversity Commission’s involvement will be critical as well as other community
partners in helping to assess the needs of our community.

80. **Council Liaison Update:** Council Liaison Christopher Boyer introduced himself to the
Commission and explained to Commissioners why he asked to be the Liaison to the
Diversity Commission. He is very excited to work with us this year.

90. **Comments for the Good of the Order:** None

100. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.