

NEIGHBORHOODS & DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES • September 8, 2015 • CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1 **10. Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Rosamaría Graziani.

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3 **20. Roll Call:**

4 Commission Chair Rosamaría Graziani	Commissioner Shirley Sutton
5 Commission Vice Chair Berel Paltiel (absent)	Commissioner Ty Tufono (absent)
6 Commissioner Glenda Powell-Freeman	Council Liaison Ian Cotton (absent)
7 Commissioner Pining Reyes	Executive Office Liaison Art Ceniza
8 Commissioner Angel Shimelish (absent)	Staff Liaison Tracy Sloan

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10 **30. Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from June meeting were reviewed. Changes were
11 suggested. Commissioner Powell-Freeman moved to approve minutes with the corrections.
12 Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with the corrections.
13 Special meeting on July 1st and July 14th were tabled for approval at the October meeting. The
14 minutes from August meeting were reviewed. Changes were suggested. Commissioner Powell-
15 Freeman moved to approve minutes with the corrections. Commissioner Graziani seconded
16 the motion. The minutes were approved with the corrections.

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18 **40. Public Comments** – No public comments

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20 **50. Council Liaison Update** – council recess.

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22 **60. Old Business:**

23 **60.1 Strategic Plan recap** – Regina started the session with a recap of the planning that had been
24 completed in the previous meetings. The Commissioners established the goal for the next ten
25 years being two-fold: 1) Community related - building trusted messengers and 2) City related–
26 serve in an advisory role to city departments.

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28 Regina said that she had some concerns about completing the Strategic Plan and presenting it to
29 the Mayor by the end of the year. The commissioners present at the meeting discussed
30 dedicating the next three monthly meetings from 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. to strategic planning.
31 They also felt that if they were on a roll with the planning during the meeting that a motion
32 could be made to extend the meeting time.

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34 Art stated that the Mayor appreciated the work being done by the Commission and felt that the
35 Commission was making progress.

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37 Regina had sent out some questions to the Commissioners for discussion. She then led the group
38 into a brainstorming activity from the questions. The questions that had been sent to the
39 commissioners were:

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Proposed questions for commissioners

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- 43 1. How do we translate the community vision from 2008-2009 into reality over the next ten years?
- 44 2. As part of our strategic plan, how can we get dialogue going with city departments to build
- 45 collaborative relationships?

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- 1 3. When you look at the community vision, what steps should be taken now to prepare the city for
2 the changes that will occur in the City of Lynnwood over the next 10 years?
3 4. In developing our strategic plan what steps do we need to take to make the City of Lynnwood a
4 regional model for a sustainable vibrant community?
5 5. How are we going to engage our citizens in this process?
6 6. How will we hold ourselves (as a commission) accountable?

7 There was a brainstorming activity and discussion.

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9 Motion was made by Commissioner Reyes to extend the meeting. Commissioner Sutton 2nd
10 the motion and it was approved.

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12 **70. New Business:**

13 70.1 **October Fire Safety** – Chair Graziani stated that the Fire Chief wants help with the
14 October Fire Safety Meeting. Executive Office Liaison Art Ceniza stated that the Chief needs to
15 contact Staff Liaison Sloan with any requests for the commission.

16 70.2 Hispanic Heritage Month – Chair Graziani led a discussion related to Hispanic Heritage
17 Month.

18 70.3 Attendance – Motion was made and approved to talk about attendance at the next
19 meeting.

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21 **80. Staff update – suspended due to time**

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23 **90. Comments for the good of the order**

24 There was a discussion related to agenda preparation.

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26 **100. Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. by Chair Graziani.