

Minutes of City of Ontario
Diversity Advisory Committee meeting
November 20, 2019
Community Development Center

1. The meeting was called to order by Angela Machuca at 5:38 pm.
2. Present were committee members Paul Cheney, Janet Komoto, Angela Machuca & Maria Romero; Guest Norma Ramirez from Euvalcree, and City Staff Peter Hall.
Absent were committee members Cydney Cooke, Terry Fisher and Jeaneth Mendoza.
3. The minutes of the October 16, 2019 meeting were not approved as they were not presented to us.
4. Community events brought up:
 - a. Festival of Trees fundraiser for Meals on Wheels/Help Them To Hope at Clarion Inn, November 22-24, 2019.
 - b. Christmas Tree Lighting at 6 pm on November 29, 2019 at Four Rivers Cultural Center (FRCC).
 - c. Chamber of Commerce Winter Wonderland Parade at 1 pm on December 7, 2019.
 - d. Maria handed out t-shirts to committee members.
5. a. Complete Count Committee Discussion:
 1. Tori Barnett and Peter Hall with the City are in charge of project.
 2. Find hard to count people & how to come up with ways to capture them.
 3. Need matrix of organizations & what they're doing – need their materials & handouts.
 4. How to educate our community so that they're not intimidated by the form or filling it out.
 5. Community Census 101 training. Norma has been trained.
 6. Are we willing to pass out a community flyer? Information about the census should be publicized in the Argus newspaper.
 7. DAC NEEDS THE CENSUS 101 TRAINING AT OUR NEXT MEETING.
 8. Need to get census information out to small businesses, via Chamber of Commerce newsletter?
 9. Euvalcree will hire census workers, 32 hours/week, mostly evenings & weekends, \$17-19 per hour.
- b. Homeless Shelter Report:
 1. City receiving \$150K grant for temporary housing till April 1.
 2. Airport **not** under consideration any longer because FAA rules prevent residences within 1000'.
 3. Potential site north of old water tower-gravel lot-city owned.
 - a. Near Origins Faith Community Church & AniCare Animal Shelter.
 - b. Near Nichols Accounting.
 - c. Would be Community in Action project.
 - d. Build tiny homes that are 8' x 10' sheds with insulation & heat.
 - e. Funding needs to be spent within 6 months. Money expected soon.

c. Euvalcree Retreat Update:

1. No dates yet. Would like a 1.5 or 2 day retreat in January or February.
2. Euvalcree has grant to pay for a focus session with the DAC.
3. Committee members need to respond to the Doodle poll sent by Peter Hall on November 21, 2019. Most have responded.

d. Committee Vacancies/Terms:

1. Cydney has resigned, leaving one vacancy.
2. Paul and Terry have terms that expire in December. Do they want to renew?

e. Action Items:

1. Participate in the Winter Wonderland Parade on December 7 to advertise the DAC Committee.
2. Janet to check out the Malheur County Equity Committee.
3. Who can set up or provide Census 101 training for our committee in January or February?
4. Next meeting will be December 18, 5:30 pm, in the Council Chambers.

6. Move to adjourn at 6:37 pm by Maria, seconded by Janet. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Acting Secretary