# DRAFT MINUTES OF THE GREENVI LLE HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL August 24, 2023

The Greenville Human Relations Council (GHRC) met Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held in Conference Room 337, located on the third floor of City Hall. Members absent denoted by x.

Zykeiah Allen-x
George Cherry-\*
Logan Harrison-\*

Franchine Peña-\*

Deninisa Allsbrook-\*

Todd Fraley-\*

Antonio Milton-x

Lomax Mizzelle-\*

Procopio Serrano-\*

Rose Glover, Council Member-x Cassandra Daniels, Staff Liaison-\*

Ms. Samar Badwan, Chair called the meeting to order and Ms. Cassandra Daniels, staff liaison, called the roll and quorum was ascertained.

After the roll call, a motion was made by Mrs. Franchine Pena, seconded by Mr. Logan Harrison that the Council only address two (2) of the items on the agenda and remaining items are tabled until the Council's September meeting. The following items under New Business were discussed:

- Sixteenth Annual Inclusive Community Breakfast, and
- Community Dialogues.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Sixteenth Annual Inclusive Community Breakfast**

## **Inclusive Community Breakfast**

Mr. Logan Harrison, Chairperson for the breakfast, provided a synopsis and stated the breakfast will take place at the Hilton on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am. The theme is Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in the Arts. This will be a round-table discussion, consisting of four (4) panel members. Panelist are: (1) Ms. Regina Garcia, an Instructor at Pitt Community College; (2) Mr. Russell Knight, Art Teacher with Pitt County Schools; (3) Ms. Pamela Jordan-Mayo, Director of Black Creatives of Pitt County; and (4) Mr. Randall Leach, Art Teacher with Pitt County Schools and community activist. A list of questions will be provided to the panelist prior to the event. After discussion from the Council, a motion was made by Mr. Procopio Serrano, seconded by Mrs. Lomax Mizzelle, for the Council to move forward with the event. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Community Dialogues**

The Council briefly discussed the need to reconvene efforts for bringing the community back together via community dialogues. There are so many social issues and/or concerns that our communities face daily and one of the most effective methods for hearing from community members is through the Council's dialogues. After a brainstorming session, a motion was made

by Mr. Procopio Serrano, seconded by Mr. Todd Fraley, that the Council consider hosting community dialogues raising awareness and presenting some type of resolve of homelessness and the lack of affordable housing in Greenville. Motion carried unanimously

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Procopio Serrano seconded by Mr. Logan Harrison, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra Daniels

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