Members present by roll call: Amy Sazue, Cody Maynus, Paula Long Fox, Whitney Rencontre, Karen Mortimer, and Malcom Chapman
Absent: Lloyd Lacroix, Bill May, Lindsay Huffman, Denise Maher
Also present: City Attorney Joel Landeen, Assistant City Attorney Jessica Rogers, City Council Liaison Laura Armstrong, and Administrative Secretary, Robin Garner

ADOPT AGENDA
Rencontre moved to adopt the agenda, second by Maynus. Motion carried.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Chapman shared the Citizen Complaint log. Long Fox would like to see categories on the log to delineate what the calls are related to whether it be housing, employment, transportation, etc.

Outreach update: Chapman has completed several presentations with the Fire Department, Police Department and would like to touch base with all City departments. He has attended the Collective healing initiative and the Justice Table through the Lutheran Church. Chapman has also attended three meetings with South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. Chapman has been the Chair of Juneteenth Day for racial injustice.

Chapman also addressed a strategic plan that he has not yet provided to the commission.

Long Fox asked for a list of community events along with events that the committee will be involved in. She also asked Chapman to give the committee the same presentation that he provides to other organizations so the commissioners understand what is being presented.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Commissioners discussed officers needed. A decision was made to have a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Administrative Officer and Treasure (two from MOA and two non MOA) and also keeping an Executive Committee. The Commission determined to wait until all commissioners are present to elect officers.

MOA UPDATE – Karen Mortimer
Event Planning-Mortimer shared two ideas.

1) Commission to visit One Heart (possible dates of June 3rd or June 10th). Commission decided on June 10th at 4:30 p.m. One Heart will provide a small presentation, coffee and a resident there will provide some treats.

2) A public event which would be an informational session with a panel of representatives from different organizations such as the Care Campus, RCPD, One
Heart and Oyate to name a few. Discussion was held regarding possible venues and dates. Armstrong and Sazue will help in planning.

Fundraising—Mortimer shared a draft of a case statement for fundraising and said there have been discussions with Black Hills Surgical Hospital and Black Hills Community Bank. Second conversations will be held with Elevate and Prairie Edge. There is also an appointment to meet with Monument Health and they are also looking to meet with Hani Shafai. Mortimer asked for help from committee members with this work.

**ITEMS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS/DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**

Long Fox requested a thank you be sent to the Mayor and Tribal Chair for their support in the commission and a note to recognize persons regarding positive outcomes (she gave examples of two). She would like to see these acknowledgements given each month and maybe a reception held at the end of the year. Rogers brought up the Facebook page the old HRC had started that would also be a great avenue to acknowledge/recognize persons in the community and provide valuable information.

Long Fox would like to see a time and a place for people to come to make complaints or have discussion that are not at City Hall but out in the public.

Rogers would like to see some commission training before going out in the public.

Sazue suggested meet and greets with information to hand out.

**ORGANIZATION: BYLAWS AND ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS — Jess Rogers**

Rogers reviewed the bylaws and ordinance amendments. She explained that the commission will need to have a progress report ready for City Council at the June 21st meeting which should include events, fundraising, bylaws and ordinance work that has been done. The ordinance and bylaws should be finalized at the next meeting on June 11th so they are ready to go to Council on June 21st.

The name of this commission must also be made by the next meeting.

Rogers will make updates to both the bylaws and ordinance after today’s discussions.

**LIAISON REPORT**

City Council Liaison Laura Armstrong reported there will be some leadership changes in July on Council therefore committee liaisons may change. She shared a few ideas with the commission: 1) a wall in which a mural could be made; 2) Possibly redoing the Sioux Park mural; and 3) Dedicate an ancestor park (bridge naming) inside Founders Park.

**BUDGET REPORT**

Chapman went over budget

**NEXT STEPS**

Chapman would like help in flushing out the strategic plan

Chapman encourages members to contact him with ideas for fundraising, possible organizations to approach, and encouraged two members to go together to meet with them and added that he would be happy to go along.

**Notes for next meeting**

Discuss meetings held in person

Bring material resources to next meeting to use for outreach opportunities.

Naming of Committee at next meeting

Possibly have a commissioner attend Youth City Council meetings to give update/report
Send emails regarding events in which a quorum will be present

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – June 8, 2021 at 12:00 P.M.

ADJOURN
The meeting ended at 2:12 p.m.