**Mayor’s Hispanic American Advisory Meeting**

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

**City Hall / St. James Building, Third Floor Conference Room C**

**117 West Duval Street**

**And Via Zoom**

**MINUTES**

* **Call to Order**
* **Pledge of Allegiance**
* **Welcome and Introduction**
  + Board members present: Jose Morales, Luis Montiel, Zergihno Roelle, Aida Seeraj, Demika Jackson, Miguel Dipierri, and Martha Torres
  + COJ Staff Present: Kara Tucker and Jennifer Wolf
* **Public Comment** – Speaker Cards
  + (None)
* **Approval of Minutes from 12/2022** 
  + Motion to approve by Luis; seconded by Aida; motion passed unanimously and without discussion
* **Speaker / Presentation**
  + (NONE)
* **Old Business**
  + City Council did a “Quality of Life” report that the board could review; it is approximately 100 pages long
* **New Business**
  + Board Meetings at City Hall and Sub-committee Meetings at Community Library branches
    1. February – COJ
    2. March – Library
    3. April – off
    4. May – Library
    5. June – COJ
    6. July – off
    7. August – Library
    8. September – COJ
    9. October – Award Ceremony
    10. November – off
    11. December – COJ
  + Generate a topic per month to focus on, seek speakers for (City departments?), and highlight events (Proclamations? Please allow 30 days)
    1. February
       1. World of Nations
       2. Women’s History Month
    2. March
       1. Cezar Chavez’s Birthday
       2. Health Department
       3. Supervisor of Elections
    3. April
       1. JHRC Housing Symposium – April 13th
       2. Housing Speaker
          1. Neighborhoods
          2. City Rescue Mission
          3. Sulzbacher
    4. May
       1. Emergency Preparedness Conference
       2. Mental Health Month
          1. Starting Pointe
          2. MHRC
          3. Sulzbacher
          4. CRC
    5. June
       1. Safety Month
          1. JSO
          2. JFRD
          3. JTA
          4. Other safety agencies
       2. Summer camps
    6. July
       1. “Freedom Month”
          1. JHRC?
          2. Jax Legal Aid
          3. Financial Freedom
    7. August
       1. Education/ESOL
    8. September
       1. Taco Fest
       2. Start of Hispanic Heritage Month (15th)
          1. Partnership with Ana Grogan, JSEB, permitting
       3. Support Hispanic Business – 14th
    9. October
       1. Awards ceremony
       2. Overdose Awareness – 31st
    10. November
        1. (needs a topic)
    11. December
        1. Safe Toys and Gifts Month
* Subcommittee Reorganization
  + Subcommittee one:
    1. Business, Media, Events, Public Relations, Entertainment, and Financial Freedom
    2. Luis – Chair, Zergihno – Co-Chair, Jose, Nelson, Jorge, and Demika
  + Subcommittee two:
    1. Health, Community, Faith, Education, Housing, and Safety
    2. Aida – Chair, Martha – Co-Chair, Demika, Jose, and Miguel
* **Public Comment** – All Attendees
  + Tanya (JTA Travel Trainer) – provided Spanish documentation covering what she offers through JTA
* **Adjourn Meeting –** 1:28 pm

Chair: Jose Morales

Vice-Chair: Luis Montiel

**Disabled Services Division**

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