

Mark Mercer
Chair

Vice-Chair

Voting Members: Katherine Becker, Richard Cardwell, Dorothy Cash, Scott Chapel, Elizabeth Crehan, Robert Harris, Rose Haverkos, James Johns, Alicia Pater, Trevor Snider, Eric Taylor, Robert Vollbrecht, and Ed Wilson

Ex-Officio Members: Letitia Block, Craig Bucheit, and Nadine Hill

Secretary: Marcos Nichols/Boyce Swift

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:10pm

II. Roll Call

Mercer	Becker	Cardwell	Cash	Chapel	Crehan	Harris	Haverkos	Johns
Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present
Pater	Snider	Taylor	Vollbrecht	Wilson				
Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present				

Ex-Officio Members Tim Werdmann and Craig Bucheit were present.

III. Review and Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Katherine Becker seconded by Alicia Pater, with a note thanking the note-taker for keeping meeting minutes concise. The motion passed. 12-0-0.

The note-taker was very appreciative of the remark.

IV. New Business

A. Review report to Council

i. Rose Haverkos

Rose Haverkos addressed Commission members regarding the report to Council. Due to the recent tragedy within HFD and circumstances beyond the Commission's control, Councilwoman Klink informed Rose that the Commission could submit a status update versus an in-depth report. The Commission will submit a more detailed report to Council at a later date.

B. OGSM changes

Chairman Mark Mercer received confirmation from Commission member, Alicia Pater, that she would like to keep the command Spanish training program as a recommendation to City Council.

No changes were made to the OGSM.

V. Audience of Citizens

Individuals may speak during this part of the Agenda. Each speaker is allowed 5 minutes.



Former Co-chair Larry Neal was present.

VI. Audience of the Commission

Commission members may bring up any issues not on the agenda and not previously discussed at the current meeting.

Chair Mark Mercer informed the Commission about the creation of an internship program between the City and the local NAACP chapter. He informed the Commission that this item is preliminary but he wanted to make Commission members aware.

Commission member Katherine Becker emphasized the importance of recruiting local Hamilton high school students for the program.

VII. Schedule Next Meeting

The Commission will present a status update to City Council at the next City Council meeting on Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 at 6 PM in City Council Chambers - 345 High Street, Hamilton, OH 45011. Members are encouraged to attend.

The next Diversity and Inclusion Commission meeting will be on Monday, January 25th, 2016 at 6 PM in City Council Chambers – 345 High Street, Hamilton, OH 45011

VIII. Motion to Adjourn

Ms. Haverkos made a motion to adjourn and Ms.Becker seconded. The motion passed 12-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm

