Committee Members Present: Elizabeth Garcia, Bradden Backer, Tyler Arentz, Justin Crosby
Virtually Present: Derrell Greene, Mimi Yang
YIG Present: Trinity Williams, Joshua Cao
YIG Excused:

Others Present: Clara-lin Tappa, Jennifer Kopp, John Jansen

6:01 PM
1. Call to Order/Roll Call – Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

6:02 PM
2. Approval of Minutes- March 17, 2022: Commissioner Garcia made a motion to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Arentz. All aye. Motion passes. YIG All Aye. Motion passes.

6:03 PM
3. Updates from Staff: Clara-lin Tappa announced the Jennie Tunkieicz award. The Plaque award recipient will be issued to Adeline Greene this year. The commission will have the honor of choosing future recipients for this award. Ms. Tappa announced the new Diversity Coordinator, Kelsey Hubeler and will introduce her at the next months’ meeting.

6:05 PM
4. Working Group Reports – Commissioner Garcia updated her Police data stating they want to narrow down to one area to report on and will be focusing on convictions and arrests. There is too much in the spectrum and she wants to narrow it down to one data driven topic. She discussed meeting with the State Public Defender’s Office and with Outagamie County, as she knows that County has just launched a similar investigation into this topic. Commissioner Garcia stated she would like their data to compare and report. Commissioner Greene updated that their team is meeting with Jennifer Madore to talk about the data they have gathered. They gathered raw data and need to convert it to statistics. Their team may need assistance with this and more resources in doing so. Commissioner Greene urges the committee to be specific in format requests when asking for data.

Commissioner Arentz stated that March 28th the housing letters were sent out and gave a due date of 30 days to respond. They have received one response to date. Commissioner Backer states insufficient low income housing is impediment to economic growth Commissioner Arentz wants to incorporate data from the new census data. John Jansen confirmed he can obtain this data for them. Commissioner Backer would also like to coordinate efforts regarding a grant.

YIG Williams stated their committee for Education and Health is focusing on gathering data and will be ready for the May mini presentation. YIG Cao stated for the August listening session, Jennifer Madore is working with data to pinpoint disparities within racial groups and put it in the report for the listening session. Commissioner Yang would like John Jansen’s help with the report on two components: 1. Demographics of healthcare and 2. School Districts.
Commissioner Crosby brings up skepticism encounters of the committee. Commissioner Garcia states this is what the listening session is for in August. YIG Williams states this is important to educate the public on the basis of the committee, so everyone is on the same page. The committee recognizes there is a problem within our County, but before we are able to solve the problem, we need data to show an issue exists.

6:40p
7. Future Scheduling: Next Meeting May 19th at 6:00 PM

6:59 PM
8. Adjourn: Commissioner Backer makes a motion to adjourn, Seconded by Commissioner Garcia. All Aye. Motion Passes. YIG All Aye. Motion Passes