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CITY OF PHILOMATH
Inclusivity Ad Hoc Committee
June 25, 2020

Mayor Eric Niemann called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency, members of the Committee and staff attended by videoconference. The public was also provided with log-in instructions to listen and observe the meeting electronically.

ROLL CALL:

City Councilor members Eric Niemann, Ruth Causey and Chas Jones.
Staff: City Manager Chris Workman, and City Attorney Jim Brewer.

NEW BUSINESS:

B. Review of Letters Received & Related Documents – Mayor Niemann reviewed letters in order and allowed each author to add to their original comments. There was discussion about the need for city leaders to make a statement to the community and appreciation for having this meeting. Additional discussion followed about the importance of the Black Lives Matter movement.

C. Community Comments – Additional comments were received by Jackie Shaw, Giana Bernardini, Anissa Teslow Cheek, Maeve Dempsey, and others participating via video conference. Comments included support of a proclamation by the City Council. Mayor Niemann presented a draft version of a proclamation that he had prepared to help get the discussion going.

D. Next Steps – Mr. Workman recommended all meeting participants review the draft proclamation presented by Mayor Niemann and provide comments to him by Monday night, June 29th. He agreed to pull all the comments together and send them out prior to the start of the next meeting. At the recommendation of the group, a second meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, July 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. so attendance would be easier on people.

E. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Meeting recorded by Chris Workman, City Manager