

07-09-19 Sister Cities Commission Minutes

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6:30 PM  
July 9, 2019Eagle Room  
130 E. Sunset Way**MINUTES****COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT***Councilmembers:*Stephanie Angula (*Via Phone*)  
Shari Gehrke  
Mary Harris (*Excused Tardy*)  
Robin Kelley  
Ryan Opitz  
Nilendu Pal  
Charlee Roundhill  
Heather Stapf*Youth Board Representatives:*Nathan Beh  
Jacob Hansen*Administrative staff:*

Tina Eggers, City Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Stapf called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

- Commissioner Roundhill was delegated as temporary Secretary until the arrival of Mary Harris.
- Announcement made that Mohamed Belali will be resigning from the Commission due to work conflicts.
- Guest Madeline Fish was introduced to the Commission as a prospective new member (formerly Library Board member).

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) Minutes of June 11, 2019

The minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.****REGULAR BUSINESS**

- a) Chefchauen MOU update & Timeline
- Commissioner Belali has been communicating with Chefchauen's Mayor.
  - The Commission may proceed with communicating with the Mayor directly in the future.
  - Commission stated the goal of having a renewed and signed MOU with Chefchauen by Salmon Days 2019.
- b) Committee Kickoff Efforts
- Previously proposed committees presented their suggested purpose and scope of work to the Commission.
  - Commission expressed alignment.
- c) Salmon Days & Artist Planning Efforts
- Commissioner Gehrke has been leading the charge in connecting with Sunndal and in recruiting an artist for Salmon Days.
  - Clerk Eggers will submit the application for the Sister Cities Booth.
  - Commissioner Pal volunteered to create materials to pass out during the festival.

- All aligned that showcasing the artist is the focus of the booth and the desire is to represent both Chefchaouen and Sunndal in the Salmon Days booth.

d) Modification of Rules & Regs

The Commission unanimously approved Reports to appear on the agenda after the Approval of Minutes and changed its meeting location to the Eagle Room.

**REPORTS**

Commissioner Angula reported on an opportunity to partner with Sons of Norway Cascade Lounge (Mercer Island) on cultural experiences. Commission expressed interest in the aligning of an event/cultural experience with Issaquah's Welcome Week activities.

**OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Stapf declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.