NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Regular Meeting of the Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission

The Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission will meet Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 5pm via a Zoom conference call. This meeting is open to the public. Anyone needing assistance with accessibility to attend may call 515-283-4284 to make arrangements within a timely manner.

May 14, 2020 AGENDA

Iowa Code Section 21.4 requires that each Council meeting shall be held at a place reasonably accessible to the public and at a time reasonably convenient to the public, unless for good cause such a place or time is impossible or impracticable. Given the Governor’s prohibition on gatherings of ten or more persons during the COVID-19 outbreak and further given Section Nine of the Governor’s March 19, 2020 proclamation suspending the regulatory provisions of Iowa Code §§ 21.8, 26.12, and 414.12, or any other statute imposing a requirement to hold a public meeting or hearing, the City Council has determined that a meeting at a physical place is impossible or impracticable and all Council meetings for the time being will be conducted electronically with the public allowed to attend per the instructions on this agenda. Meeting minutes will continue to be provided per the City’s normal course of business.

Des Moines Civil and Human Rights Commission and Mayor and Council are participating by ZOOM meeting due to COVID-19.

The public can participate by using the information below:

Join Joint City Council & Commission Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83974563728?pwd=VlRPbUhTYUVwaVNFOW1OCswdTd5Zz09

Meeting ID: 839 7456 3728
Password: 334302
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I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
   A. City Council
   B. Civil & Human Rights Commission
III. Opening Remarks
   A. Mayor Cownie
   B. Commission Chair, Kameron Middlebrooks

IV. Bridging the Gap Initiative:
   A. What We Recommended & What Has Been Done
   B. Where We Need to Go In Order to Bridge the Gaps and Create a More Equitable &
      Just Community
   C. Historical Context on DSM inequities
   D. Opportunity Lost: Creating a Proactive Commission/Department

V. City Council Discussion

VI. Public Comment

VII. Final Remarks: Mayor Cownie and City Council

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