

**NEIGHBORHOODS & DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
MEETING MINUTES • April 9, 2013 • CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM 4

- 1 10. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Chair Sutton.  
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- 3 20. **Roll Call:**
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| 4 Commission Chair Shirley Sutton             | Commissioner Pining Reyes                  |
| 5 Commission Vice Chair Glenda Powell-Freeman | Commissioner Marilyn Calbert (absent)      |
| 6 Commissioner Rosamaría Graziani             | Council Liaison Christopher Boyer (absent) |
| 7 Commissioner Gloria Sepulveda               | Staff Member Julie Moore                   |
| 8 Commissioner Angel Shimelish                |  |
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- 10 30. **Approval of Minutes:** Vice Chair Powell-Freeman motioned to approve the meeting  
11 minutes from March 12, 2013 with a suggested change to page 1 line 48. Commissioner  
12 Graziani seconded the motion. Minutes unanimously approved with suggested change.  
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- 14 40. **Public Comments:** None  
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- 16 50. **New Business:**
- 17 50.1 **Translation Initiative:** Commissioner Graziani requested that she be used as the  
18 translator for the City’s Translation Initiative. Staff Member Moore will check with the  
19 City Attorney and Purchasing Department to see if there are any bidding requirements for  
20 this project.  
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- 22 60. **Old Business:**
- 23 60.1 **Stand Against Racism Event:** This event is planned for Friday, April 26 at 3:30pm  
24 and will be held in front of the Lynnwood Senior Center. There will be 4-5 speakers, two  
25 student performances, resource tables and an African American exhibit. Commissioners  
26 Rosamaría, Pining, Glenna and Shirley will plan on attending to assist with the event.  
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- 28 60.2 **Community Forum Planning:** During the last month’s Commission meeting Lisa  
29 Nicholson from DVS of Snohomish County gave the Commission a presentation and  
30 Commissioners discussed possible ideas for a forum. There were many great ideas,  
31 however we need to refine our focus and provide a forum based on what would be most  
32 meaningful for the community. The Commission decided that it would be best to host a  
33 training forum for local service providers that would give them the tools needed to be able  
34 to help their clients who may be experiencing Domestic Violence. This training is  
35 scheduled for Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Flyers and advertising will be completed soon.  
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- 37 70. **Commissioners Reports:**
- 38 **Commissioner Graziani:** Commissioner Graziani reported that there is a Fundraiser for  
39 the Latino Leadership Program Scholarships on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Thomas More  
40 Church.
- 41 **Chair Sutton:** Chair Sutton reported that she will be attending the Ahmadiyyah Women’s  
42 Symposium and the 2<sup>nd</sup> North Puget Sound Race Conference. She also reported that there is  
43 an upcoming Earth Day event at Gold Park on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.  
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- 45 80. **Staff Update:** The Diversity Commission will be hosting a table at this year’s YWCA  
46 Inspire Luncheon on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. Chair Shirley Sutton will be the table captain and  
47 we would like to invite all Commissioners to attend. Commissioners Pining and Angel  
48 have committed to attending so far.  
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1 Staff Member Moore reminded Commissioners that the Annual Volunteer Recognition  
2 Celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Lynnwood Convention Center.  
3 Commissioners Glenda, Pining, and Shirley have all RSVP'd for the event.

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5 Staff Member Moore gave a brief update on the Community Garden outside of the  
6 Lynnwood Senior Center. All of the boxes have been assigned to community members and  
7 planting has begun. Gardeners are extremely excited to have this opportunity and we think  
8 this model may be replicated in the near future.

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10 90. **Council Liaison Update:** None

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12 100. **Comments for the Good of the Order:** Reminder to sign up for 6 Weeks for a Better  
13 You program offered by Verdant Health Commission. Discounts are available as well as  
14 scholarships.

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16 110. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.