**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

**HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

**Wedensday, April 3, 2023**

**Meeting Minutes**

The monthly March meeting was held on Wednesday, April 3, at 7 pm via the Zoom platform.

**Commissioners Present:** Hon. William England, Alejandro Becerra, Candace Groudine, Janice Freeman, Dr. Rahul Jindal, Dr. Suresh K. Gupta, Dr. Jeremiah Floyd, Nina Weisbroth, and Terry Vann.

**Commissioners Absent:** Prof. Okianer Christian Dark, Stephanie Mason, and Rachel Breslin, and Suzanne Lofhjelm.

**Staff Attended:** Director James Stowe, Compliance Manager Loretta Garcia, and Staff Liaison Anis Ahmed.

**Guests Attended:** Jeffery May, Principal International Development and Planning, LLC.

**Chairman:** Called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

**Approvals:**

* Agenda was approved by a common consent.

**Presentation:**

* Jeffery May, Principal International Development and Planning, LLC.
* Introduced by James Stowe.
	+ Jeffery May delivered presentation on National Community Reinvestment Act.
	+ His presentation was followed by discussions.

**Director’s Report:**

1. He updated about policies of the County Executive’s Board, Commission and Committees.
	* He mentioned that as per BCC policy, Commission members are charged to take notes of the meetings and write minutes.
	* He asked Commission to take decision on this issue.
	* Commission members will decide at the next monthly meeting on who will take notes and write minutes of all future meetings of the Commission.
2. He updated about the vacant positions of the Human Rights Commission and status of the appointments.
3. HE Updated on Committee Against Hate Violence Program Efforts to Educate the Public on the effects of Antisemitism.
4. He updated about the 3rd Cohort of the Small Business Initiative graduation ceremony which is for Monday April 17th at 10:00 am. The celebration will be followed by a reception. The event will be held at the County Executive Auditorium and County Council Office Building.
5. He talked about the successful trip of the 2023 Civil Rights Education Freedom tour.

**Work Group Report for 2023:** There was no report due to lack of time

**Committee Reports and Updates:** There was no report or update due to lack of time

**Next Meeting:**

* Next monthly meeting will be held on April 24, 2023.

**Adjourn**

* The meeting adjourned at 9:15