

Beyond Apology Commission

Special Meeting | October 18, 2024 | 1:00 – 2:30 pm

City Hall at One Technology Center | 10 North Conference Room

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: Mayor Bynum, Councilor Hall-Harper, TheRese Anderson Aduni, Phil Armstrong, Jacqueline Evans, Corinice Wilson, Damali Wilson, Kristi Williams, Greg Taylor, D'Marria Monday, Mattece Mason

Commissioners Absent: none

I. Call to Order and Introductions

- a. Facilitated by Krystal Reves
- **b.** Commissioners introduced themselves and shared what motivated them to apply to the commission

II. Commission orientation and grounding

- a. Facilitated by Mayor Bynum and Councilor Hall-Harper
- b. Mayor Bynum shared that this commission was intentionally modeled as a commission and not a taskforce, because taskforces sunset. Councilor Hall-Harper shared that this work also builds on the resolutions supported by the Greater Tulsa Area African Affairs Commission that established the Beyond Apology process a community-led effort. The focus on housing is first since there is funding already identified through Improve our Tulsa (IOT)
 - i. Beyond Apology Report is available by QR code in Commissioner binder
 - ii. Councilor Hall-Harper recommended book to Commissioners: Laying the Foundation for Local Reparations and shared copies with the commission.
 - iii. National Reparations Conference in Evanston, IL hosted by First Repair, a national reparations organization. To take place in December – noted as possible trip for Commissioners

III. Executive order review (included in Commissioner binder)

- a. Facilitated by Krystal Reyes and Jack Blair
 - i. Tab # 3 of Commissioner binder contains the Executive Order (EO) Duties of Commissioners is found in section 6 of the EO. This serves as an important reference document for the work of commission.
 - ii. Executive Orders, by function, will last beyond current administration
 - iii. November 30th date concentrated effort to complete first recommendation related to Housing, but efforts will continue beyond

IV. Beyond Apology Community process and recommendations

a. Facilitated by Kristi Williams



- The Beyond Apology Report includes 8 priority areas including: education, financial compensation, housing, land, community and economic development, health and wellness, systems change, cultural identity.
- ii. There are other cities that are doing this work and Tulsa can learn best practices and lessons from their efforts.
- iii. D'Marria Monday raised need for individuals with felony convictions not represented in housing equality indicator

V. World cafe

- a. Facilitated by Krystal Reyes, Kyra Carby, and Rebecca Hubbard
 - i. The commission broke into three small groups and discussed three questions 1) hopes for the commission's work, 2) concerns or worries about the commission's work and 3) initial housing issues/concerns
 - ii. A summary of the World Café or 'Harvest' will be shared in next meeting

VI. Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 2:35pm.