

Tribal Relations Committee

CITY HALL, 175 E. 2nd STREET

One Technology Center, 10th Floor, Chat Room North

10:00am

MINUTES

March 8th, 2022

1. *Call to Order:* Councilor McKee called the meeting to order at 10:13am. After calling the meeting to order Councilor McKee read the land acknowledgment.

2.

Present: Councilor Vanessa Hall Harper, Councilor Jeannie Cue, Councilor Christa Patrick, Councilor Kara Joy McKee, Councilor Mykey Arthrell-Knezek, Councilor Lori Decter Wright, Councilor Jayme Fowler, Jed Cochran, Kathleen Elliot, Mike Shambaugh, Angela Pratt, Kim Teehee, Joe Deere, Chris Baughman, Brandon Worley

2. Review and approve last meetings minutes.

Minutes were reviewed by the committee. Motion to approve the minutes was moved by Councilor Christa Patrick and seconded by Councilor Lori Decter Wright. Motion passes with unanimous vote.

3. Discussion on committee organization, including but not limited to, goals, outcomes, schedules, meeting format, participants, potential partnerships, and other committee support needs.

Committee members went around the circle introducing themselves and stating their goals for the committee. Multiple councilors expressed that developing and growing lines of communications as their main goal for this committee. Other members of the committee expressed the goal of creating a source catalog of services that the City and tribes provide to the citizens and how the citizens can access these services. Another goal expressed was the creation of a calendar of events being held across each of the entities to highlight upcoming events for the community.

4. Confirmation of new members to the Tribal Relations Committee by the Tulsa City Council Chair.

Tulsa City Council chair Lori Decter Wright confirmed the attendees as the members of the committee.

5. Discussion of tribal and city government structure

This item was tabled till next meeting.

6. Discussion of partnership potentials.

The committee discussed multiple partnership opportunities for the city and the tribes. Councilor McKee highlighted some past partnerships such as the promotion of the vaccine rollout and Dream Keepers Park. Topics for the potential partnerships were mental health for veterans, school naming, and signage designation of tribal lands. Representative Teehee expressed wanting to discuss how the tribes and city can collaborate on the use of ARPA dollars. Possibly use some ARPA dollars to help promote collaboration between city and tribes. Jed talked about wanting to meeting with the tribes in August to help grow communication and collaboration. Councilor Cue discussed looking at the cities CIP list and seeing if there were any possible partnerships that could arise from those needs.

7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:27 by Councilor McKee and seconded by Councilor Cue.