Race Equity Advisory Council

Date: Thursday, January 16, 2025

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Location: NorthPoint Conference Center

Council members present: Angela Cuellar, Ralphe Yehle, Erikka Ryan, Catherine Bouie, Adjoa Kusi-Appiah, Cedric Dildy, Josephine Thao, Raquel Jarabek, Samba Fall

Council members not present: Tai Giwa, April Salchert, Stacey Wells, Tamyka Carr, Ashaki Brown, Kandis York

County Staff: Shawn Sorrell, Alison Weiler, Letty Rogers

Notes

Approved current month agenda

Motion: Ralph Second: Erikka All in favor – motion passes

Approved previous month meeting notes

Motion: Erikka Second: Angela All in favor – motion passes

Welcome and introductions

- Kareem Murphy, Assistant County Administrator of Disparity Reduction
- Paulette "Letty" Rogers, new REAC admin support and Executive Assistant

Commissioner Angela Conley

- The Commissioner shared a history of her work and the importance of the community's voice in Hennepin County.
- Areas of interest:
 - o Health
 - Healthcare reparations cooperative

- Housing
 - 3 P's of shelter property, partner, and pet
 - Hennepin has a national model that maps moving from the street to housing for residents with a 94% retention rate.
- Juvenile justice ages 10-16

Questions/information requests for February

- Hennepin County Attorney, Mary Moriarty to present at the next meeting.
- Questions due to leaders by February 1, 2025.
- Topics of interest:
 - Youth group pilot program update (i.e. data, status)
 - o Human centered approach
 - Justice
 - o Strategy around immigrants and non-English speaking individuals
 - Programs to navigate the legal system
 - Juvenile expungement clinic

Adjourn

Motion: Bill Second: Samba All in favor – motion passes