Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Community Development

Wednesday, August 19, 2020, 6:30 pm

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Agenda

* Welcome/Introductions
	+ Meeting was opened by Chair John Tinpe
	+ Commissioners offered introductions. In attendance
		- MOAPIA: Ben de Guzman, James Yu
		- COAPIA : John Tinpe, Ben Takai, Dana Tai Soon Burgess, Bruce Leal, Elena Son, Ronak Desai, Niranjan Adhikari, Karen Kwok, Sina Uipi
* Director’s Report, Director de Guzman, MOAPIA
	+ **COVID-19**
		- Director de Guzman provided an update about MOAPIA’s work regarding the Mayor’s and District’s COVID-19 response
	+ **FY 2021 AAPI Community Grant**
		- Director de Guzman announced MOAPIA accepted 20 grant applications for the FY 2021 Asian American and Pacific American (AAPI) Community Grant from qualified Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) providing direct services to the District’s AAPI community
		- Commissioner Tinpe asked about the average amount of each grant and Director de Guzman said the range was from $5,000 to $50,000
	+ **2020 Census**
		- Director de Guzman provided an update on the District’s 2020 Census response and MOAPIA activities to promote and support Census outreach
		- Director de Guzman outlined future MOAPIA Census outreach plans
	+ **DC Values**
		- Director de Guzman spoke about the Mayor’s efforts to re evaluate the statues on DC land and if those coincide with the current conversation on racial equality occurring.
* Task Force Updates
	+ **Racial Equity**
		- Commissioner Leal described the need for more work to be done surrounding the inclusion of the Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander (NHPI) community. He also mentioned the equity legislation that is moving in the DC City Council.
			* Commissioners discussed the best way to form a baseline for this report including being able to asses the size of the NHPI community in DC through census information and being able to effectively engage the NHPI community to determine community needs and concerns. The 35th anniversary of the Commission in 2021 was also discussed.
			* The Commission decided to convene a sub-Committee to discuss the three issues of a) equity issues, especially related to the proposed legislation; b) an annual Committee report; and c) the 35th anniversary of CAPIA. MOAPIA will convene the CAPIA members who expressed interest in this sub-Committee and hold a teleconference before the next meeting. Commissioners who expressed interest to be involved in the sub-Committee were; John Tinpe, Ben Takai, Karen Kwok, Bruce Leal, Dana Tai soon Burgess, and Ronak Desai.

Meeting Adjournment

Questions:

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