Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Community Development

Wednesday, October 21, 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, Bruce Leal, Ronak Desai, Jennifer Hara, Niranjan Adhikari, Karen Kwok, Dana Tai Soon Burgess, 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 the nine awardees of Fiscal Year 2021 Asian American and Pacific Islander Community Grant
	+ **2020 Census**
		- Director de Guzman provided an update on the District’s 2020 Census and outreach as it concluded on October 15, 2020
* Task Force Updates
	+ **Racial Equity**
		- Commissioner Leal discussed the resolution in front of the DC council surrounding racial equity and the need for emphasis to be placed on including the Pacific Islander/ Native Hawaiian communities in these outreach efforts.
			* Director de Guzman and Commissioner Leal answered questions from Commissioners
* Community Member Presentation
	+ Neil Weare, President & Founder of [Equally American](http://www.equalrightsnow.org/), discussed “Racism as a Civil Rights Crisis”
		- Mr. Weare took questions from the Commission
* Motion to approve Resolution R23-0990
	+ Commission unanimously voted in favor to approve resolution “Approval by COAPIA of Resolution R23-0990 – Expressing the Sense of the Commission that Racism Should be Declared a Public Health and Civil Rights Crisis”

Meeting Adjournment

Questions:

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