



City of Portland Racial Equity Steering Committee Agenda

October 22, 2020 at 5:00 PM

1. ZOOM INFORMATION:

- a. The Racial Equity Steering Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 5:00 PM. This meeting will take place remotely using Zoom.

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2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Meeting minutes from October 15, 2020

3. Agenda Review and Meeting Objectives

4. Agreement on voting and decision-making

5. Discussion re: RESC goals

6. Voting/decision on process

7. Wrap-Up and Items for Next Meeting
8. Adjournment



Racial Equity Steering Committee October 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes

The October 15, 2020 remote Committee meeting began at 5:00 PM on Zoom.

In attendance were Councilor Pious Ali, Kate Knox, Ali Abdul, Leila Deandrade, Merita McKenzie, Peter O'Donnell, Jonathan Sahrbeck, Niky Dwin Walter Amaris, Lado Lodoka, Suheir Alaskari, Deborah Ibonwa, Jerome Bennette, Louis Pickens, Samaa Abdurraqib, Marcelle Medford, and Dena Libner (Assistant to the City Manager).

Deborah Ibonwa made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2020 meeting. Jonathan Sahrbeck seconded the motion. The minutes were approved 13-0.

Louis Pickens made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 28, 2020 meeting. Merita McKenzie seconded the motion. The minutes were approved 13-0.

Leila provided a recap of the October 7, 2020 meeting.

Samaa Abdurraqib was introduced as the RESC facilitator. Marcelle Medford was introduced as the RESC researcher. Samaa engaged RESC members in a discussion of the facilitator's role and responsibilities. The Committee discussed what their strategy / issues focus would be.

Committee members discussed what types of data or information they would like to receive to help shape their work.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.