

Agenda

IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE

MEETING
Tuesday, Oct 2, 2018
Market Station
Caboose Room
500 Market Station
4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes: August 21st, 2018
- 4. Community Comments
- 5. New Business/Action Items:
 - a. Census 2020 Update
 - b. Cities for Citizenship America is Home Initiative (Zulema Chavero and Rayos Burciaga from Somos)
 - c. Sheriff Elect Adam Mendoza Takes office January 2019 (Committee can invite him to a meeting starting January 2019.)
- 6. Old Business:
 - a. Subcommittee Updates:
 - i. Welcoming Communities (Marcela & Susan)
 - 1. Intergovernmental Workgroup Update
 - 2. Language Access Justice Trainings Report
 - ii. Education (Amparo & María Cristina)
 - 1. Update regarding meeting with Superintendent Garcia Schedule a special meeting. She has a standing meeting that conflicts with our regular committee meeting.
 - iii. Social Media & Communications (Javier & Jewel)
 - 1. Members will need to turn in a current brief bio and photo by next meeting.
 - 2. Potential Facebook Page TBA.
 - 3. Additional committee member needed.
 - iv. Police Department
 - 1. Training for SFPD Going well.
 - v. Update on training for city staff regarding immigration policies and bilingual incentive program. (Victor)
 - vi. Update on Language Access RFP. (Marcela)
- 7. Comments from the Chair and Committee Members
- 8. Report from Staff
- 9. Adjournment

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IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE Tuesday, OCTOBER 2, 2018 4:30 pm -6:00pm

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Javier Rios, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order for the Immigration Committee at 4:37 pm at the City of Santa Fe Market Station. Roll call reflects a quorum.

PRESENT:

Javier Rios, Acting Chair Susan Hayre Amparo Guerrero Marcela Diaz Jewel Cabeza de Vaca Maria Cristina Lopez Ivan Cornejo

NOT PRESENT:

STAFF/OTHERS PRESENT: Lt. Judah Montano, SFPD Zulema Chavarro, Audience Presenters Elizabeth Lara, Audience Presenters Victor Vigil, Staff Fran Lucero, Stenographer

2. Approval of Agenda

Amendments: List Lt. Judah Montano after Community Comments, delete New Business (a) Census Update.

Ms. Lopez moved to approve the agenda as amended, second by Ms. Guerrero, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Approval of Minutes: August 21, 2018

It was noted that the minutes were not distributed to the committee.

Ms. Diaz moved to approve the Minutes of August 21, 2018 at next meeting, second by Ms. Lopez, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Lt. Judah Montano, Santa Fe Police Department

Update on Training: It has gone well, what this committee has done is working, they are commenting on the assistance and guidance they have

received from the Immigration Committee. The Officers are grateful for the educational tools and the request was asked if there are resources to provide people who are having issues.

- Ms. Diaz asked what type of cards the officers provide.
- Lt. Montano said the information they disseminate is for domestic violence.
- Ms. Diaz will talk to Solace and see what else they can provide.
- Lt. Montano said they have reached approximately 100 police officers.
- Ms. Lopez said there have been 7 classes and they resulted in a very positive and successful presentation.
- Lt. Montano said if the community members would talk more it would be more realistic. They could put the real life experience, law enforcement and resources together.
- Lt. Montano has talked to the Chief about community meetings and he is open to that.
- Lt. Montano did say that if the committee members can provide more information on the SWAT occurrence he would appreciate as much information in order to research and report back to the committee.
- Ms. Lopez restated that the Immigration Committee has worked together for the last 20 years and together with the Santa Fe Police Department the working relationship is strong and needs to be shared with the community.
- Lt. Montano complimented the Immigration Committee on how hard they all work and asked if this meeting could be a travelling meeting to the locations where there is a need and the Police Officers could be visible and show the united work relation.
- Ms. Guerrero expressed her thanks to Lt. Montano and to the Immigration Committee members and community participants. There are many organizations that are working with the immigrant population and a collective event would be very useful. SFPS has recently held a wonderful event and it was very successful.
- Lt. Montano said that these events can be done throughout the year at different times to strengthen the communication with the community members and earn their trust and get them to participate.

5. Community Comments

None

6. New Business/Action Items

- a. Census 2020 Update
- b. Cities for Citizenship America is Home Initiative (Zulema Chavarro and Rayos Burciaga from Somos)

We are part of a nationwide initiative and we have received a federal grant to initiate this program in Santa Fe. Out of 66 proposals we selected to implement this program. We just launched the campaign 2 weeks ago and we announced all the activities we will be doing with the city and community members. We are doing different forums throughout Santa Fe; the first one will be October 10th. We will inform people the importance of becoming citizens, followed by sessions to help them with information. In Santa Fe we have 4,000 lawful permanent residents (green card holders) in Santa Fe, 55,000 in New Mexico. This is a way to help them overcome the problems that they have in becoming citizens.

Elizabeth Lara (LPR for 17 years): The majority of those who are not residents are based on the monetary commitment and not having enough information. The new presidential administration does not help the immigration community. A lot of the obstacles are us not knowing how to respond to the questions. We are residents but we can't communicate in response to questions. In the community we are the ones that are most affected.

Zulema Chavarro: We know that the benefits for these people to become citizens, they will become more secure. As a permanent resident they are still deportable, they want to secure their family. The process with CIS is a more rapid process if you have a citizen as a sponsor. Many of the members say they want to vote or ambition to become elected officials. When a person becomes a citizen their income increased between 9-11%, better job opportunities. There are more scholarships available for people who want to study here.

The committee members discussed dual citizenship, challenges and concerns.

Ms. Chavarro asked if the Immigration Committee would be the sponsor. She asked for the presence of the committee members and if they could be the face of the city at the forums. The Literacy Program at SFCC will do one workshop to assist with information as they will provide tutors to work with the applicants.

Ms. Diaz provided dates and information on community partners and asked that the Immigration Committee members assist when at all possible. The Mayor is open to be the face for the City related to immigration matters. The question is that maybe Immigration Committee could sponsor their own forum in the future. This would be an event to promote on social media.

Ms. Lopez moved to have the Immigration Committee officially support and endorse this program and participate for future forums as they can and ask that each committee member attend a forum and sponsor a forum by the Immigration Committee in the future and that the Immigration Committee does not make a financial commitment, second by Ms. Hayre, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Diaz: Cities of Citizenship is a cohort with over 50 cities in the US working to recognize the need for education and training on citizenship. Santa Fe is part of this cohort. Our city councilors, the Mayor, Immigration Committee members can participate in the forums. We feel that the Immigration Committee is the face of the City.

The Chair asked if there is a financial commitment.

Ms. Diaz said that it is more in-kind services, video graphing and interviews, etc.

Ms. Hayre clarified that as a committee we would not be accepting any financial responsibility. Ms. Hayre has people coming from El Camino Real to Sweeney. There is no confirmation or date of when the Mayor will attend.

Ms. Chavarro said they are also training staff to become Ambassadors in the City to help with the Cities for Citizenship. A training session is normally 1 hour in term.

Ms. Diaz said that the other important part of this is that it is deep voter education.

c. Sheriff Elect Adam Mendoza – Takes Office January 2019 (Committee can invite him to a meeting starting January 2019) - The Chair stated that we can invite the Sheriff to the meeting in 2019.

Ms. Diaz stated that she would like to invite him as the Sheriff Elect and provide him with information on the Immigration Committee and how we could serve as a resource and what our sanctuary policy is.

Ms. Diaz moved that Adan Mendoza, that after the election an invitation be extended to him as the Sheriff Elect to come to the Immigration Committee, second by Ms. Guerrero, motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

7. Old Business

Subcommittee Updates

- 1) Welcoming Communities
 - a) Intergovernmental Communities (Marcela & Susan)
 Working with Councilor Renee Villarreal to invite people who do
 represent and have policy power in government agencies and getting
 more staff help to get things moving again. Ms. Diaz said that SOMOS
 will participate on a National Webinar on Sanctuary on October 10th.
 We would like to include information on police training, language
 access and sanctuary policies and training. It is about building
 community support. Ms. Diaz will send the information to the Chair
 for distribution and it should be sent to the other government
 officials. It will also provide a list of the lawsuits since 2017 and court
 decisions from sanctuary states.
 - b) Language Access Justice Trainings Report
 Ms. Diaz said this committee and Welcoming Communities sponsored together with the Sky Center and SOMOS training sessions. There were 32 people in attendance; it was about 2-hour training.

Ms. Guerrero said that this was a great training and talking about language is a social justice movement as well. It provided our community the opportunity to learn the language; it is a great possibility for those who have trouble with the language. Dialogue was important to support each other.

2) Education

 a) Update regarding meeting with Superintendent Garcia – Schedule a special meeting. She has a standing meeting that conflicts with our regular committee meeting.

Victor said that the SFPS Superintendent will be in attendance on October 17th at 4:30 pm at the Immigration Committee Meeting.

Ms. Guerrero is participating in the Diversity Committee and will attend the meeting next week.

- 3) Social Media & Communications
 - a) Members will need to turn in a current brief bio and photo by next meeting

Chair Javier Rios said that the Bio and Picture need to be turned in by next meeting. The Chair will send a template sample to assist and please return as soon as possible.

- b) Potential Facebook Page TBA
 The Chair has asked staff to see if Immigration Committee can have
 their own FB page. Victor is working with his Manager to get an
 approval.
- c) Additional Committee Member Needed
 The Chair stated that 1 new member is needed. He asked the
 committee members to suggest and recommend anyone that they
 know of.
- 4) Police Department
 - a) Training for SFPD Going Well (Presented before Community Comments)
- 5) Update on Training for City Staff Regarding Immigration Policies and Bilingual Incentive Program (Victor)
 Victor: Applications are due today for those who speak a special language, it is referred to HR, and it is for Union members. The forms (applications and policies) for HR are being translated in to Spanish.

Ms. Diaz asked if are all people who have interaction with the community and if they are AFSCME members available for this benefit? For union members, yes. Ms. Diaz said it is a problem if administrative (non-union) people who are bi-lingual do not get this incentive. It would be great to have someone assess that. What departments does it affect and would like that information. What are their positions?

Ms. Lopez asked to have a full department evaluation on Training for City Staff Regarding Immigration Policies and Bilingual Incentive Program and we have not received that information.

Ms. Diaz will send Victor the information that was requested in the past for follow up

Victor announced that the new Director is Carrie Ochoa and she will be at the next meeting.

6) Update on Language Access RFP (Marcela) Victor stated that Edith would like to meet with Ms. Diaz and Ms. Hayre.

- 7. Comments from the Chair and Committee Members
 Ms. Hayre asked staff to list on the agenda under New Business a Vote for the
 Chair. It was asked that the discussion on Vice Chair be included in the
 agenda.
- 8. Report from Staff
- 9. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Immigration Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Fran Lucero, Stenographer

Signature

Javier Rios,**/**Chair



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ACOMPÁGAMOS EM LOS SIGURLINES FOROS DE MUDADAMÍN:

Miércoles 10 de octubre del 2018 5:30 p.m. a 7:30 p.m. Sweeney Elementary School 501 Airport Rd, Santa Fe, NM

Martes 13 de noviembre del 2018 7:00 p.m. Oficina de Guadalupe Credit Union

3721 Academy Rd Santa Fe, NM

Miércoles 5 de diciembre del 2018 5:30 p.m.

Santa Fe Area Homebuilders Association 2520 Camino Entrada, Santa Fe, NM

Miércoles 9 de enero del 2019

5:00 p.m. a 6:00 p.m. Center for Progress and Justice 1420 Cerrillos Rd, Santa Fe, NM

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JOIN US AT ANY OF OUR CITIZENSHIP FORUMS:

Wednesday, October 10, 2018 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Sweeney Elementary School 501 Airport Rd, Santa Fe, NM

Tuesday, November 13, 2018
7:00 p.m.
GCU Airport Branch Location
3721 Academy Rd Santa Fe. NM

Wednesday, December 5, 2018 5:30 p.m. Santa Fe Area Homebuilders Association 2520 Camino Entrada, Santa Fe, NM

> Wednesday, January 9, 2019 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Center for Progress and Justice 1420 Cerrillos Rd, Santa Fe, NM

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