

City of Lakewood, Ohio

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Held: City Hall, Lakewood, Ohio  
September 13, 2011

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Community Relations Advisory Commission (the "Commission") was held on September 13, 2011.

Attending the meeting were the following members of the Commission: Greg Mahoney, April Stoltz, Paula Maeder Connor, Barbara Schwartz, Joe Lobo, Nahida Farunia, Nadhal Eadah and Karen Kuramoto. City of Lakewood Community Relations Specialist Melissa Garrett was also in attendance. Notice having been duly given and a quorum being present, the Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m. local time.

A reading and disposal of the August minutes were conducted.

-NEW METROPOLIS SHOWING:

Commission prep time was held on September 12. The goal of the prep time was to create a mock agenda for the event that is to be held on March 28, 2012.

- WELCOMING PARTY FOR NEW RESIDENTS:

Will be postponed from its original date and will now be held on April 25, 2012. It was agreed that moving the event to a later date would allow the Commission additional time not only in preparation efforts but to further identify new Lakewood residents. A draft letter will be submitted to organizations. Friendly invite postcards shall be mailed to newcomers.

- ANNUAL REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL:

Members of the Commission edited a draft outline of the annual report that will be presented by Rev. Maeder Connor at the September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of Lakewood City Council.

- MODIFIED NEW RESIDENT PACKETS:

Ms. Kuramoto reported that the yellow city telephone cards and the city map are the more noteworthy items in the new resident packets. Ms. Kuramoto further indicated that sending the folders to every rental unit in the city is cost prohibitive. Ms. Kuramoto is working on a "places to worship" list that would covers Lakewood's faith based institutions.

- NEXT MEETING

The next meeting for the Commission will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2011.

- Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the meeting, at approximately 8:15 p.m. the meeting was motioned adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gregory D. Mahoney, Secretary  
Lakewood Community Relations Advisory Commission