

AGENDA
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
10:00 am Wednesday, September 20, 2023
City Hall – City Commission Chambers/City
Court, 806 N. 2nd Ave.

CALL TO ORDER

CONSENT Calendar

1. August 16, 2023, Minutes

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Welcoming Week Committee
 - a. International Festival 2023 Wrap-up
 - b. Five Flags Video Update
2. Strategic Plan for Welcoming and Integration
 - a. Engage Dodge Program (options for persons who don't attend)
 - b. Civic Engagement
Voter Videos Partnership
 - c. Language Access
 - d. New Americans Dinner (proposed dates)
3. Vacant At-Large Board Position

NEW BUSINESS

1. USCIS Stakeholders Meeting- September 19, 2023
2. USCIS Mobile Services- Dodge City- September 27-29, 2023, Hennessey Hall
3. USCIS Naturalization Outreach, 5:00pm-6:30pm, September 27, Santa Fe Depot, 101 E. Wyatt Earp Blvd.
4. Community Foundation of Southwest Kansas Grant Application

BOARD PROGRAMS/DATES (keep in mind):

1. DCCC Constitution Day, 3pm, -September 17, 2023, DC3 Library
2. USCIS Mobile Services- September 27-29, 2023
3. USCIS Naturalization Outreach, 5:00pm-6:30pm. September 27
4. National Hispanic Heritage Month September 15- October 15, 2023
5. Engage Dodge en Español– 9am-11am or 6pm-8pm, September 27-November 6, 2023
6. Human Rights Day – Saturday, December 10, 2023

MINUTES
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Friday, August 25, 2023 – 10:00 am Hennessy Hall 263 San Jose Dr.

CALL TO ORDER 11:05am

Attendees: Brenda Carmona, Holly Mercer, Karim Schneider, Kurt Lampe, Coral Lopez, Mario Rayo, Debbie Snapp, Isabel Garcia, Vicky Ortiz, Rebecca Grizzell

Guests: Consul Soileh Padilla Mayer

Absent: Esmeralda Ruiz, Esmeralda Soto, Sandra Rodriguez, Francisco Talamantes, Karla Lees, Maria Sifuentes

Staff: Melissa McCoy, Darlin Rayo,

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Consul Soileh Padilla Mayer introduced herself as a career diplomat of 25 years and shared an informative presentation with the members describing what the Mexican consulate does and the services they provide to the Mexican community in Kansas. Of the 35 million Mexican people living in the United States, 1 million of them reside in Kansas and Missouri. The consulate head quarters for both states is settled in Kansas City and they are a team of 25 employees helping Mexican nationals acquire documents such as Mexican passports, birth certificates, and Consular IDs to name a few.

BOARD PROGRAMS/DATES (keep in mind):

1. Welcoming Week Proclamation, City Commission meeting- 7pm, Tuesday, September 5, 2023
2. National Welcoming Week – September 8-17, 2023
3. International Festival 2023 – Sunday, September 10, 2023
4. DCCC Constitution Day, 3pm, -September 17, 2023, DC3 Library
5. USCIS Mobile Services- September 27-29, 2023
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COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10pm.

Minutes Submitted by Darlin Rayo
Approved 00/00/0000



ENGAGE DODGE SIGN-UP

Name (First, Last)* _____

Are you 18 years or older* **YES OR NO**

Street Address* _____

City* _____

Zip Code* _____

Phone Number* _____

Email* _____

How long have you lived in Dodge City?* _____

Why are you interested in the Engage Dodge Program?*

What do you feel is the biggest challenge and/or opportunity facing our community today?*

What questions do you have about the City of Dodge City that you hope to have answered during this program?*



ENGAGE DODGE

Class Times: 9 - 11 AM & 6 - 8 PM

★ September, 27th ★
Administration

★ October, 4th ★
Parks & Recreation

★ October, 11th ★
Public Works/Airport

★ October, 18th ★
Development

Services/Engineering/Facilities

★ October, 25th ★
Police Department/Animal Control

★ November, 1st ★
Fire Department

Visit the link below to apply
www.dodgecity.org/1016/Engage-Dodge
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