

City of Topeka
CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, August, 07, 2024
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

In Person; and via Zoom

Citizen Advisory Council Vision Statement: *“A community of neighborhoods illuminating collaborative models to foster harmonious and balanced neighborhood communities.”*

Citizen Advisory Council Mission Statement: *“The Citizen Advisory Council is a community of neighborhoods organized to forge available resources to empower, rebuild, and revitalize areas within the city of Topeka.”*

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTIONS OR DECISIONS	PRESENTER/RESPONSIBLE
I. CALL TO ORDER, MINUTES & AGENDA	Susan McClacherty called the meeting to order at 6:00. July 2024 meeting minutes motion to approve. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: LaBonna Speakman ▪ Second: Jim Edwards August 2024 meeting agenda motion to adopt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: Jim Edwards ▪ Second: LaBonna Speakman 	July 2024 minutes approved. Amended: S.A.V.E will not be presenting. August 2024 agenda adopted.	<i>Susan McClacherty</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i>
II. PRESENTATION	A. Community Violence Intervention Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refer to CAC recording for details. 	None	<i>Betsy and Dustin</i>
III. STAFF UPDATES	A. Community Engagements by the number <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reminder that DREAMS preliminary applications are due September 13th. ▪ Final applications will be due on October 11th. ▪ Retaliatory Action Ordinance reminder. ▪ Changing Our Culture of Property Maintenance program will continue until mid-August. ▪ Check your 2024 NIA budget. 	None	<i>Monique Glaudé</i> <i>Division Director of Community Engagement</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Last day to use your funds is November 15th. ▪ Starting in September there will be a discussion on how any leftover funds will be allocated. ▪ During the October 2nd meeting we will request a decision as to how you would like the remaining funds allocated. <p>B. Housing Service Division Status and Program Update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shelter Plus Care ▪ E.A.S Equity.Access.Shelter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to CAC recording for further information. 		<p><i>Carrie Higgins, Division Director of Housing Services</i></p>
IV. CAC UPDATES	A. None	None	<p><i>Susan McClacherty</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i></p>
V. DISCUSSION ITEMS	<p>A. Collaborative Project-170th Birthday Celebration for Topeka</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Jason Miller, Associate Professor of Anthropology and Faculty Fellow. ▪ Asked for NIA volunteers to participate in project. <p>B. National Good Neighbor Day event is September 28th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. at Shawnee County Public Library.</p> <p>C. Amanda spoke to the experience of NNO at the mall.</p>		<p><i>Susan McClacherty</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i></p>
VI. ACTION ITEMS	<p>A. Which NIA's were interested in partnering with Washburn University 170th Birthday.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Central Highland Park, Historic North Topeka East, and Central Park are possibilities. <p>B. Asking for volunteers to write up information regarding a health topic for October and December.</p> <p>C. Asking for Volunteers for National Good Neighbor Event on September 28th at Shawnee County Public Library.</p> <p>D. Asking for NIA leaders to volunteer for Family Fitness Fun Night September 18th. at Hummer Park to talk about your NIA.</p>	<p>Historic Holliday Park, North Topeka West, Valley Park, and Tennessee Town volunteered for partnership.</p> <p>LaBonna volunteered for November's Health Topic.</p>	<p><i>Susan McClacherty,</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i></p>

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS			<i>Open to all CAC members & Guests</i>
VIII. ADJOURN	Motion to adjourn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion: LaBonna Speakman ▪ Second: Jim Edwards NEXT MEETING: September 4th, 2024 - HOLLIDAY BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM, FIRST FLOOR – 620 MADISON, 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.	Motion passes	<i>Susan McClacherty</i> <i>Citizen Advisory Council Chair</i>