

MEETING AGENDA

AFRICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION *VIRTUAL* MEETING Wednesday, September 8, 5:30PM

Wednesday, September 8, 2021 | Virtual Meeting: https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting | 5:30 PM

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- 1. Welcome & Introductions
- 2. <u>Approve Meeting Minutes from July 14, 2021 (attached)</u>
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. New Business
 - a. BIPOC presentation from City Staff
 - b. Duluth Tourism
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Cultural Center/ African Heritage Hub
 - b. Community Outreach
- 6. Subcommittees
 - a) Community Center/Grants (Pepper)
 - b) Employer Engagement/Demographics and Data Research (Carter, Green, Thornton)
 - c) Historic Preservation (Staine, Edmunds)
 - d) DCSI Law Enforcement Accountability Proposals (Staine, Green, Thornton)
- 7. Next Meeting Topics (October 13)
- 8. <u>Announcements</u>
- 9. Adjourn



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Effective Thursday, August 12, the City of Duluth will revert to virtual meetings for City Council and Boards and Commissions. The City Attorney, Rebecca St. George, and Chief Administrative Officer, Noah Schuchman, sent a determination to the City Clerk's Office today that due to the substantial risk in transmission rates within St. Louis County and Duluth public meetings would again be held virtually pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.021. In accordance with Minnesota Open Meeting Laws, the City is providing a three-day notice that beginning on August 12, all City of Duluth City Council, and Board and Commission meetings will be held virtually. The African Heritage Commission will be holding its meeting by other electronic means pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021 in response to the COVID-19 emergency. Members of the Commission will be participating through video conference. Due to the COVID-19 emergency and the closure of City facilities, public comment will not be taken in person. However, members of the public can monitor the meeting and provide public comment on agenda items through WebEx Events. Visit https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting to access the meeting. The public is also encouraged to submit written comment to Phillis Webb prior to the meeting by emailing PWebb@duluthmn.gov or mailing comments to 411 W 1st St, City Hall Room 160, Duluth, MN 55802. Please note that all public comment is considered Public Data.