



City Events and Recognitions Committee

Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, 9th Floor Visibility Center

June 9, 2014

Vice Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Valentine Smith, Shalisa Hayes, Jessie Baines, Roslyn Smith (participating by phone).

Staff Present: Christina Watts, Nadia Chandler Hardy

Agenda Item

Approval of the minutes from May 12, 2014

Vice Chair Smith introduced the item. The Committee passed the item

Agenda Item

2015 MLK Planning Discussion

a. BCPA Partnership

Vice Chair Smith introduced the item and opened discussion. He said he would suggest going with the Broadway Center's *11 Days in the Life of Dr. King* program, unless committee members had another idea. Chair Smith said she was open to the program, as long as there was strong committee support for it. Vice Chair Smith said the program would be something new and something different. Chair Smith said it would make the program much simpler. Staff agreed and said there would be little to no additional entertainment because there would not be time in the program. Vice Chair Smith said the BCPA has a good product that fits what the committee wants to do.

Mr. Baines asked how youth would be involved with this direction. Vice Chair Smith said the committee focused on youth last year, but youth doesn't have to be at the core of the event for 2015. Staff said youth could be involved in terms of inviting relevant organizations to have community booths or there was a suggestion from last year to possibly add a youth choir. Chair Smith mentioned that there could also be a community conversation at the event for youth, similar to what was done for the 2014 event. Ms. Hayes said maybe the committee could look at having a youth MC as another way to add youth.

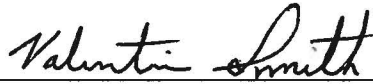
Chair Smith said the committee would still need to flesh out the remaining aspects of the program, but that could be done at future meetings. Vice Chair Smith said a decision to go with the BCPA program would address a lot of the other items on the MLK Planning Discussion agenda including concept, theme, and auditions.

Mr. Baines made a motion to use the Broadway Center for the Performing Arts' *Eleven Days in the Life of Dr. King* for the 2015 MLK Celebration's entertainment. Ms. Hayes seconded and the committee passed the item.

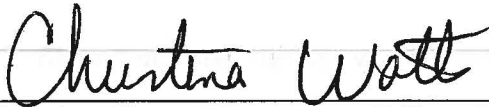
Chair Smith indicated that she had to end her call-in.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17.



Valentine Smith, Vice Chair



Christina Watts, Management Fellow, City Manager's Office