

The Town of Siler City Immigrant Community Advisory Committee (ICAC) met in Regular Session on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 in meeting room 225A/225B at City Hall.

IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Hannia Benitez, Victoria Navarro, and Danubio Vazquez Rodriguez

IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Norma Jisselle Perdomo

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director Jack Meadows

Chair Hannia Benitez called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. The purpose and charge of the committee was read aloud.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Navarro made a motion to adjust and approve the agenda to add items to Old Business (Town of Siler City Commissioner District Community Forums and Police Chief Meeting), seconded by Rodriguez, unanimously approved.

MEETING MINUTES

Navarro made a motion to approve the May 3, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Rodriguez, unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. 2023 Priority List of Recommendations
 1. Communication
 - i. Language Access Plan (LAP)
 1. Susan Clifford, Language Access Coordinator, Building Integrated Communities, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas gave a presentation on Language Access Collaborative
 2. Language Access is:
 - a. Providing individuals with Limited English Proficiency (LEP)* reasonable and meaningful access to the same services as individuals who speak English.
 - b. Refers to the laws and policies that guarantee people access to written, verbal, or visual materials or services in their preferred language.
 - c. *Instead of LEP, "people who prefer a language other than English (LOTE)."
 3. Federal Requirement - Title VI of the Civil Rights Act
 4. Language Access Coordinator
 5. LEP.gov – online resource
 6. Example Communities with LAP: Chapel Hill; Durham, Winston Salem
 - ii. Comprehensive Land Use Plan
 1. Jaquasha Colon, Stewart consultant
 2. Seek input on Latino community outreach ideas
 - b. Town of Siler City Commissioner District Community Forums
 1. District 3 - June 1 – Siler City Presbyterian Church – Spanish translation services were provided

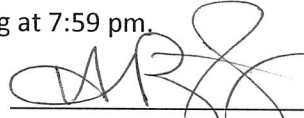
2. District 4 - August (TBD) – advertise (Chatham New + Record, WNCA, Town website, press release, social media post, advisory committee meetings)
- c. Police Chief Meeting – One committee member is going to schedule a meeting with the Town of Siler City Police Chief

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- a. Hispanic Heritage Fiesta – Saturday, September 16, 2023 from 12p-6p – Downtown Siler City

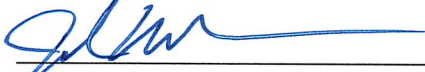
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Benitez adjourned the meeting at 7:59 pm.



Hannia Benitez, Chair

ATTEST:



Jack Meadows, Community Development Director