



Richmond-Zhoushan Friendship Commission Meeting

MINUTES

December 9, 2020

4pm via Zoom

I. Welcome and Roll

- Present: Commissioners Margaret Lee, Stanley Li, Leonard Berry, Eric Peterson, Joseph Kong and James Lee, Council Liaison Eduardo Martinez and Staff Liaison Trina Jackson
- Absent: Commissioners Sara Zhao, Alex Golovets, Mathew Lee and Jenn Liu

II. Review and approve minutes from previous meeting(s).

III. Treasurer's Report

- Committee raised funds - \$288.71
- City allocated funds - \$1,000

IV. Reports from subcommittees

- Education -
 - i. The plans to bring students back to school is still pending due to the COVID-19 metrics. West County Mandarin is at full enrollment. Currently researching ideas to outreach to families of color to enroll kindergarteners for next year. The international baccalaureate students are visiting virtually in the spring; one of the highlights will include students learning how to use critical thinking and results based learning. Visit www.wcmspta.org for additional information
 - ii. The school is still slated to move to El Cerrito. The former site will be offered to a charter school temporarily. Pinole middle and DeAnza High Schools are offering Mandarin language classes.
- Economic Development - Councilmember Martinez informed commissioners of the proposed residential project at the Richmond Country Club, the Castro Quarry Project, and the development near the BART station is in the works.
- Tourism - No change

V. Pending Old Business

- Discuss planning a video conference with Zhoushan officials to communicate about the challenges that both municipalities are having and how it impacts our sister city relationship.
 - i. Suggested date and time
 - ii. Topics of interest

VI. New Business

- No new business discussed.

VII. Other matters of interest

- Automatic Resignations
 - i. Wei Li
 - ii. Jen Li
 - iii. Matthew Lewis

VIII. Schedule the next meeting

- January 13th at 4pm

IX. Adjourn