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NOTICE OF MEETING
CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

Community Multicultural Commission
Work Session Room of City Hall
200 N. Fifth Street
Garland, Texas
June 26, 2025
6:00 PM

A meeting of the Community Multicultural Commission of the City of Garland, Texas will be held at the aforementioned location, date, and time to discuss and consider the following agenda items.

AGENDA:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Consider Approval of the Minutes of the May 15, 2025 Meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Committee on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

a. CMC Financial Report

Commission members will review the FY 2025 CMC Budget and consider purchasing additional promotional items.

b. Committee and Event Reports

Committees for the CMC may report on meeting information; individuals who participated in events may also provide information.

c. Progress Update and Discussion on Short-Term SMART Goals, which have been developed using the SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) framework.

The CMC members will provide an update regarding the current status of short-term goals, which have been developed using the SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-Bound) framework.

d. Future Meetings and Events

Commission members will discuss coordination and participation at the upcoming Red White and You event on Thursday, July 3, 2025 and the Responders Tournament on July 12, 2025.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

5. ADJOURN

NOTE: A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance and may or may not participate in the discussions of the Committee or board.

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The Community Multicultural Commission of the City of Garland convened in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 15, 2025, in the Work Session of City Hall, 200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas, with the following members:

Present:	CorSharra Prenell, Chair Jennifer Nguyen, Board Member Kymberlaine Banks, Board Member Charles Pickitt, Board Member Elvia Flores, Board Member Charles Leonard, Board Member Glenna Saygidia, Board Member Isaac Abu, Board Member Jimmy Tran, Board Member Jair Garrido, Board Member
Absent:	Merrill Balanciere, Vice Chair Justina James, Board Member
Staff Present:	Phil Urrutia, Assistant City Manager Courtney Vanover, Public Information Coordinator

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Consider approval of the minutes of the April 17, 2025 meeting.

Motion was made by Jennifer Nguyen to approve the April 17, 2025 meeting minutes and was seconded by Kymberlaine Banks. Motion carried unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Committee on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak. Testimony may be held until the item is considered or given at the beginning of any committee meeting. Invited testimony may also occur at any time, subject to a request of the Member of the Committee and with the approval of the Committee Chairperson.

There were no speakers on this item.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

a. Committee and Event Reports

Committees for the CMC may report on meeting information; individuals who participated in events may also provide information.

Members shared updates on recent community involvement. Reports were provided for several events, including the Asian American Heritage Festival and the Garland Police Memorial Service. Suggestions for future giveaways, such as bookmarks or phone holders with the CMC logo, were discussed. A request was made to add this topic to the next meeting agenda to assess the budget and explore other promotional items. Several members reported on their community involvement activities, including voter engagement and attending public meetings.

b. Progress Update and Discussion on Short-Term SMART Goals

The CMC members will provide an update regarding the current status of short-term goals, which have been developed using the SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-Bound) framework.

Commission members shared updates on outreach goals, including meetings with council representatives, attending city events, and participating in public service activities. There was discussion about revisiting previous goals for clarity and tracking progress. Members were encouraged to submit written updates for documentation.

c. Future Meetings and Events

Commission members will review the scheduled June 19, 2025, meeting date for possible rescheduling and discuss coordination and participation in upcoming community events.

Due to the City holiday on June 19 (Juneteenth), the June CMC meeting was rescheduled to June 26, 2025. Motion was made by Elvia Flores with a second by Jennifer Nguyen to reschedule the CMC meeting from June 19 to June 26. The motion carried unanimously.

Upcoming events, including the Juneteenth Celebration and the DFW Asian American Soccer Tournament, were reviewed and discussed.

d. Formation of Subcommittee for CMC 25th Anniversary Planning

Commission members will discuss establishing a subcommittee to lead planning efforts for the Commission's 25th Anniversary celebration, including determining subcommittee meeting dates and times, event logistics, planning timeline, and preliminary ideas.

Commission members held a discussion regarding the formation of a subcommittee to plan the 25th Anniversary celebration for 2028. Motion was made by Eliva Flores and seconded by Charles Pickitt to table the formation of the subcommittee until after city staff and the CMC Chair presented the proposal to City Council for support and funding. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Discussion and Preparation for 25th Anniversary City Council Work Session Presentation

Commission members will discuss the development of a presentation for a future City Council Work Session highlighting plans for the Commission's 25th Anniversary celebration.

Commission members agreed that a work session presentation should be planned for Fall 2025 to gain Council support for the 25th Anniversary event. The goal is to outline the concept and seek endorsement prior to planning logistics.

f. Approval of Apparel Order for CMC Events

Staff will provide cost estimates for CMC polos, vests, and windbreakers prior to placing the official order and will seek Commission members' consent before proceeding.

Staff presented options for CMC apparel, including hoodies and vests. Charles Picket made a motion, seconded by Kymberlaine Banks to approve a budget of $600 for apparel orders, delegating final selection to staff in collaboration with the Chair. Members supported branding the apparel with the CMC logo for better visibility during events.

4. ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Kymberlaine Banks and seconded by Charles Leonard to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

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/s/ CorSharra Prenell, Chair

/s/ Courtney Vanover, Secretary