

EQUITY TASK FORCE | MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 22, 2024 – ETF MEETING

ROLL CALL:

Present: J. Krueger, J. Day, S. Nolan, B. Hernandez, J. Fritts

Partial: R. Sánchez, M. Badillo

Absent: M. Aristorenas

Staff: S. Morillon, A. Carrillo, S. Scarlata

DISCUSSION:

- Talking Circle // How are you arriving today?

GUEST PRESENTATION: Tanya Anderson, Ecosystem Stewardship Administrator

- T. Anderson introduced herself and her work for the Town. She outlined the difference between Town Ordinances and Resolutions, sharing that resolutions can be aspirational and are not enforceable, and are often a suggestion and sharing of ideas. Town goals with a new resolution she'll be presenting next month and asked for input and feedback from the ETF members for a new resolution, Resolution 24-04.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

- A motion was made to approve the minutes by Jason Fritts and seconded by Marcela Badillo. Discussion was had regarding the number of meetings per month going forward and consensus was reached that the next Task Force should determine that.

GUEST PRESENTATION: Chief Weber, Sergeant Phil Smith, Lieutenant Russ Ruschill

- Members of the Jackson Police Department joined the group and opened the floor to questions from the Equity Task Force. PD invited the Task Force to join for a ride-along. PD shared that they have submitted a request for a Police Department Translator/Interpreter in their budget for the next fiscal year.
- Currently the PD does regular Crisis Intervention Training (CIT). This is a nationwide model for de-escalation.
- PD also works on mindfulness and tracking these programs and all incidents involving use-of-force, there has been less force used since the implementation of CIT and mindfulness.
- PD is also a part of the Teton Interagency Peer Support (TIPs) program and the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)
- PD has the state's first police social worker who has been a huge asset in responding to incidents involved mental health and connecting community members with resources.

BREAK – 5:55 pm

NEW ITEMS CONT.:

- Scarlata presented the Updated Resolution for a new cycle of the Equity Task Force and changes that will take effect with the next iteration of the Task Force. Scarlata also presented the recommendation brought before Council for the appointment process and asked for Task Force member input. A majority of Task Force members supported there being an interview process for appointments and two outgoing Task Force members were interested in being a part of the appointment process, time permitting.
- A timeline and important dates for the application process were discussed, but firm dates are not yet set.

Meeting Adjourned – 6:30pm