



Multnomah County Charter Review Public Engagement Subcommittee

January 18, 2022, 7:30 – 8:00 pm

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING 2

Purpose: Provide progress updates.

Attendees

Committee Members

- J'reyesha Brannon (she/her)
- Jude Perez (they/them)
- Maja Harris (she/her)
- Theresa Mai (she/her)

Staff:

- Kali Odell (she/her), Charter Review Committee Program Coordinator

In addition, members of the public were welcome to observe the meeting as non-participatory attendees. No one observed this meeting.

Welcome

Kali Odell opened the meeting.

Follow-Up Items

Kali Odell reported that Multnomah County's Communications Department is open to collaborating with the Public Engagement Subcommittee throughout the charter review public engagement and education process.

Kali also reported that the subcommittee's desire to allow the public to submit public comments via YouTube videos cannot be accommodated at this time. YouTube comments can be deleted or altered, which would make maintenance of the public record challenging. A possible alternative may be for the public to call and leave public comment via voice message. Kali will explore this option and report back.

Subcommittee Communications

Kali clarified that subcommittee members may respond to group emails with grammatical or spelling corrections, but any discussion about the subject matter of communication items should be limited to public meetings to comply with open meetings law.

Guidelines for Public Input

The subcommittee agreed to recommend that verbal testimony should be limited to 5 minutes, although this can be revised as needed depending on the number of people testifying.

Public Engagement Strategies

The subcommittee reviewed a presentation made by Jude Perez outlining the Charter Review Process and agreed they felt it was ready for publication on the County's website with an edit to the timeline. The subcommittee also reviewed some social media drafts created by Maja Harris and picked a couple of posts they want to kick off the public engagement campaign.