



Breckenridge Social Equity Advisory Commission

January 22, 2024, 7:30am

*Striving for racial and social equity for all by removing barriers and
facilitating opportunities to thrive*

I. Call to Order (7:30-7:35)

Roll Call

Present: Jotwan Daniels, June Walters, Laurie Morocco, Tahja Grier, Jordan Burns, Carol Saade

Zoom: Isaura Cirillo

Absent: Eliana Crabb

Discussion/Approval of Agenda

Motion to Approve: Tahja Grier, Seconded: Laurie Morocco

Discussion/Approval of the Minutes

Motion to Approve: Tahja Grier, Seconded: June Walters

II. Staff Summary (7:35-7:40)

1. Larkspur Housing Project Lottery Application Live: The lottery application for the Larkspur housing project is now live. Please share the application link with interested parties or community members seeking housing opportunities.

2. Translator Devices Arrival: The ten translator devices ordered by the Town are scheduled to arrive on Wednesday. Staff will conduct a training session for the intended department desks. Additionally, a sign-out sheet will be provided for staff to borrow the two floating devices as needed.

3. DEI Committee Update: The internal Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee is concluding the equity lens training for staff. They are currently meeting to review the training and the department-specific elements incorporated into the main training session.

III. Mission Statement Video (7:40-8:10)

IV. Social Equity Discussion (8:10-8:30)

Subcommittee Updates

Celebrate Diversity

The Celebrate Diversity Subcommittee reviewed the proposed lineup for the 10 Mile Pride celebrations. One question arose regarding scheduling the commission's happy hour during the main week of 10 Mile Pride or a different week to spread out events. The commission decided to schedule their Community Conversations on Equity Happy Hour during the week of June 2nd-8th. Mack Russo will send a Doodle poll of dates for this week to the Commission to decide.

In February, Black History Month banners will be installed along the Town medians, and the CMC cooking class on African Cuisine is set for February 19th. The BSEAC events budget will cover the class cost.

We're also exploring the possibility of projecting images of African American artists and their artwork on the Old Masonic Hall building in partnership with Breck Create, although this remains a tentative plan.

Community Outreach & Engagement

The Community Outreach & Engagement subcommittee shared the Equity Blueprint rollout plan during their recent meeting, along with that the Equity Blueprint is now accessible online via the BSEAC webpage. During the discussion, Carol Saade asked about tracking engagement analytics for the Equity Blueprint on the website. Brooke Attebery clarified that while Granicus doesn't routinely provide access counts for documents, we can utilize page visit analytics for monitoring.

Community Education & Influence

Following the filming session earlier in the meeting, the group has been diligently working on the mission statement video. No additional discussion was needed.

Immigration Rights and Advocacy

No additional discussion outside from the packet.

Civic Engagement

The Civic Engagement subcommittee shared the mini-grant application and guidelines with the aim of publishing the grant opportunity in March. Our outreach strategy will target smaller non-profits, and encourage all commissioners, not just the Civic Engagement subcommittee, to assist with initial outreach efforts.

V. *Equity Blueprint (8:40-8:50)*

1. Media Coverage: Jordan Burns and Carol Saade were interviewed by Kit Geary from Summit Daily, and Jordan Burns also interviewed Phil Lindeman with Krystal 93.
2. Community Partner Meeting: A meeting is scheduled for January 30th at the Summit Senior Center from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM to showcase the Equity Blueprint and explore collaboration opportunities with other agencies.
3. BSEAC Coffee Talk: The BSEAC Coffee Talk originally planned for the February 2nd will be rescheduled for a later date in February due to a conflicting coffee talk with the Mayor and Commission on February 2nd. A Doodle poll will be sent to determine the new date.

VI. Upcoming Council Items (8:40-8:50)

The upcoming items for review by the council, including the presentation of the High County Conservation Climate Equity Plan by HC3 and Town Sustainability. This plan, previously supported by the Breckenridge Social Equity Advisory Commission, addresses climate equity. Additionally, the Breckenridge Tourism Office will present findings from a Resident Sentiment Survey covering housing accessibility, special events, quality of life, and community affordability. The council will also review the first reading amendments to the Lighting Code, aimed at regulating outdoor and decorative/holiday lighting. Lastly, a resolution regarding an Election IGA with Summit County will be discussed, facilitating the April municipal election through mail-only ballots with support from County staff and equipment.

VII. Upcoming Agenda Topics

VIII. Other Matters

Breck Create has extended an invitation to the commission for two upcoming exhibitions:

"In Plain Sight: Queer Rural Narratives from the Water and the Land" on January 27th, featuring artists Ben Cuevas, Lindsey Cherek Waller, Robert Martin, Janie Stamm, and José Villalobos. This exhibition challenges assumptions about queer history, exploring rural ecologies, extraction impacts, and climate change. It revives narratives of queer existence, resistance, and vitality in rural environments.

"Valentine's Day Poetry and History Night" on February 14th, starting with talks by exhibiting artists Ben Cuevas and Janie Stamm. The event showcases love letters and poems by queer authors, past and present, with a rural backdrop in line with the "In Plain Sight" theme. Attendees can experience a range of literary art from sentimental to profound.

IX. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items) (8:50-9:00)

Motion to Adjourn: Tahja Grier, Seconded: Silvia Vicuna