



**Minutes of the October 19, 2021, Meeting of the
New York City Racial Justice Commission**

A duly noticed meeting of the New York City Racial Justice Commission was held virtually and livestreamed for remote public viewing at 4:00 p.m. on October 19, 2021.

The Chair, Jennifer Jones Austin, was present and presided. Also present were the following Commissioners:

Ana M. Bermúdez

Lurie Daniel Favors

Fred Davie

Darrick Hamilton

Yesenia Mata

J. Phil. Thompson

Regrets: Vice Chair Henry Garrido; Commissioners K. Bain, Chris Kui, Jo-Ann Yoo.

The Chair acknowledged the presence of a quorum (Chair Austin and Commissioners Bermúdez, Daniel Favors, Davie, Mata and Thompson) to conduct the meeting and called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. The Chair made welcoming remarks.

The Chair called for a motion to adopt the Minutes of the September 27, 2021, meeting of the Commission. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Commissioner Bermúdez and seconded by Commissioner Thompson, and subsequently adopted unanimously by Commission members present at approximately 4:10 p.m.



Policy Director Jimmy Pan introduced Sideya Sherman, Executive Director of the City's Taskforce on Racial Inclusion and Equity ("TRIE"), who provided background on the Taskforce, its process in preparing its recommendations, and shared its recommendations with the Commission.

Commissioner Hamilton joined at approximately 4:26pm.

TRIE Executive Director Sherman answered questions from Commissioners.

Policy Director Pan introduced Dr. Torian Easterling, First Deputy Commissioner and Chief Equity Officer of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene ("DOHMH"), who provided background on DOHMH's process in preparing its recommendations, and shared its recommendations with the Commission.

Commissioner Davie departed at approximately 5:00pm.

Dr. Easterling answered questions from Commissioners.

Deputy Executive Director for External Affairs Harold Miller then provided an overview of the Commission's upcoming public engagement events.

The Chair provided an overview of the schedule of upcoming Commission meetings. The Chair noted that the next meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2021, 4:00pm-6:00pm, and it is intended to be an in-person meeting previewing public ideas being considered by the Commission.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.



A transcription of the entire Commission Meeting will be prepared and uploaded to <https://racialjustice.cityofnewyork.us/events/>.