



City of Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Sister City Committee

Thursday, July 11, 2024

12:00 PM

Communications Conference Room - 3rd Floor

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A. Call To Order

Melody called the meeting to order at 11:59 AM

B. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Adria Vasquez, Vice Chair Luis F. Cabrera, Valerie Harbolovic, Susane "Westi" Horn, Charles Harris, Joe Benavides, and Chair Melody H. Cooper

Absent: 2 - Mourad Hasbaoui, and Heather Moretzsohn

C. Public Comment

D. Approval of Minutes and Action on Absences

Minutes were reviewed by not approved due to posting delay. Approval postponed until August 8, 2024 meeting.

Roll-call with attendance to be approved by the committee.

E. Committee Reports

Agen - Post delegation report and 2025

Chairwoman Melody Cooper gave a report on the completed Agen trip. The report detailed the events of that week and the activities performed by each delegation member. The Mayor of Agen sent gifts to the City of Corpus Christi and a request for a delegation to be sent in May.

Student Exchange Update

The Student Subcommittee reported the student exchange is underway with four Corpus Christi students abroad. The full committee approved a budget of \$1900 for the two weeks when students arrive in Corpus Christi. A printout of the tentative schedule was provided.

Veracruz

The Veracruz Subcommittee provided a report of the pending delegation from Veracruz. The attendee list is still being finalized due to visas. The Subcommittee will present a final itinerary and a proposed budget for approval at the next full committee meeting.

Tangier - Next Steps

Staff reported that the proposed Tangier relationship would follow the established procedures provided for in the Linz, Austria proposal approved by city council.

F. Staff Reports

Budget

The committee was presented with a report on the outstanding balance available for Sister City committee in FY 2024.

FY 2025 report and plans

Staff provided a recommendation the Sister City program be moved to the United Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce and provided the background for making this recommendation.

The committee requested more time to evaluate the proposal and schedule further meetings on the topic. Additionally, staff would conduct an evaluation of any other potential options.

G. Unfinished Business

H. New Business for Discussion and Possible Action

Committee discussed the possibility of a special meeting to review the transition proposal.

I. Future Agenda Items

J. Adjournment