I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

The Citizen’s Advisory Council meeting was called to order by Sarah Douglas at 6:00 p.m.

City Employees Present: LaToya Burnett-Martinez, Community Engagement Coordinator; Monique Glaudé, Community Engagement Division Director; Katrina Rice Department Finance Manager; Sasha Haehn, Neighborhood Relations Department Director

CAC Members Present: 22 (see annual attendance ledger)
Other Attendee and Substitutes: 2

II. CAC ANNUAL PHOTO

Annual photo was taken of all present CAC members

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

CAC Draft Meeting Minutes March 6, 2019 - A motion was made by Rosie Prall, seconded by Tate Hesse to approve the CAC Draft Meeting Minutes from March 6, 2019. The motion carried.

IV. DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD RELATIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

NIA’s may use their neighborhood support funds provided by the department to purchase T-shirts, wristbands, business cards, and other items that promote neighborhood pride and support the NIA. DNR will offer Topeka Neighborhood University facilitated by the nationally recognized organization, NeighborWorks on Tuesday, June 11, from 9am-5pm: more information to be provided at a later date. Topeka Way to Work Program will offer work opportunities for 15 youth age 15-18 this summer. Applications are currently being accepted. DNR has applied for an Americorp team to work with the NIAs on neighborhood capacity building and engagement initiatives; more information to be provided if awarded.
V. SCHEDULED ITEMS (20 minutes)

A. Guest Speaker – Megan Barrett, Shawnee County Tax Foreclosure Process & Property Referral Program (see attached link to presentation)

B. DNR Consolidated Action Plan – Katrina Rice, Department Finance Director (see attached link to presentation)

VI. ACTION ITEMS (30 minutes)

A. Recap - 2019 CAC Community Visioning (rescheduled for June meeting)

B. Topeka Community Asset Mapping (rescheduled for June meeting)

Neighborhood Announcements:
Dawn Downing asked for assistance/collaboration on a Citywide Unity Picnic event on Saturday, May 10, from 2pm-7pm at Cushinberry Park. Tennessee Town, Monroe, Historic Old Town, North Topeka West and East End neighborhood officers agreed to help. Please contact Dawn for more information and if you would like to participate in this event at; 785-845-7331 or dawn@wardmeadenia.com

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Tate Hesse, seconded by Janet Fisher carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 6:00 p.m. in the Holliday Conference Room.