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AGENDA RELEASED FOR JULY 22, 2022 VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS EQUITY AND DIVERSITY COUNCIL

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act,¹ this Public Notice announces the July 22, 2022, meeting of the Federal Communications Commission's (Commission) Communications Equity and Diversity Council (CEDC or Council) and releases the agenda for the meeting.² The CEDC meeting will be held virtually, beginning at 10:00 a.m. EST, and will be available to the public for viewing via the Internet at <http://www.fcc.gov/live>.

The agenda for the meeting is attached and will include a report of each of the CEDC working groups.³ The Digital Empowerment and Inclusion Working Group will present a report including recommendations for addressing digital discrimination and other barriers that impact equitable access to broadband and other emerging technology in under-served and under-connected communities. The Innovation and Access Working Group will report on its activities to recommend solutions to reduce entry barriers and encourage ownership and management of media, digital, communications services and next-generation technology properties, and start-ups to encourage viewpoint diversity by a broad range of voices. The Diversity and Equity Working Group will report on its progress in examining how the FCC can affirmatively advance equity, civil rights, racial justice, and equal opportunity in the telecommunications industry to address inequalities in workplace employment policies and programs.

The CEDC meeting will be convened in an online format and will be available to the public via live feed from the FCC's web page at www.fcc.gov/live. The public may also follow the meeting on the Commission's YouTube page at <https://www.youtube.com/user/fccdotgovvideo>. In addition, the public may follow the meeting on Twitter@fcc or via the Commission's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/fcc. Members of the public may submit questions during the meeting to livequestions@fcc.gov.

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way for the FCC to contact the requester if more information is needed to fill the request. Please allow at least five days' advance notice for accommodation requests; last minute requests will be

¹ 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

² Notice of this meeting was published in the Federal Register on June 17, 2022, available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/06/17/2022-13129/meeting-of-the-communications-equity-and-diversity-council>.

³ This agenda may be modified at the discretion of the CEDC Chair and the Designated Federal Officer.

accepted but may not be possible to accommodate.

Members of the public may submit written comments to the CEDC using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System, ECFS, at www.fcc.gov/ecfs. Any comments should be filed in GN Docket No. 17-208.

More information about the CEDC is available at <https://www.fcc.gov/communications-equity-and-diversity-council>. You may also contact Jamila Bess Johnson, the Designated Federal Officer for the Communications Equity and Diversity Council, at (202) 418-2608, or Jamila-Bess.Johnson@fcc.gov; or Keyla Hernandez-Ulloa, Co-Deputy Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 418-0965 or Keyla.Hernandez-Ulloa@fcc.gov; or Aurelie Mathieu, Attorney Advisor, WCB, at (202) 418-2194 or Aurelie.Mathieu@fcc.gov.

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**COMMUNICATIONS EQUITY AND DIVERSITY COUNCIL**

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45 L Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20554**

**July 22, 2022
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

- 10:00 am: **Welcome and Opening of Meeting**
Holly Saurer, Chief, Media Bureau
- 10:05 am: **Welcome Remarks**
Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel
- 10:10 am: **Welcome Remarks**
Jamila Bess Johnson, Designated Federal Officer, CEDC, Media Bureau

Keyla Hernandez-Ulloa, Co-Deputy Designated Federal Officer, CEDC,
Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

Aurelie Mathieu, Attorney Advisor, CEDC,
Wireline Competition Bureau
- 10:20 am: **CEDC Chair/Vice Chairs' Remarks**
Heather Gate, Chair, CEDC, Connected Nation

Nicol Turner Lee, Ph.D., Vice Chair, CEDC, Brookings Institution

Susan Au Allen, Vice Chair, CEDC, US Pan Asian American Chamber of
Commerce Education Foundation
- 10:35 am: **Call to Order of the July 22, 2022, CEDC Meeting/Roll Call of CEDC
Members**
Heather Gate, Chair, CEDC, Connected Nation

Jamila Bess Johnson, Designated Federal Officer, CEDC
- 10:45 am: **CEDC Report on Model Policies and Best Practices to Prevent Digital
Discrimination and Promote Digital Equity**

Digital Empowerment and Inclusion Working Group Report
Dominique Harrison, Ph.D.

Representing the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies
Chair, Digital Empowerment and Inclusion Working Group

Dr. Jon Gant, Dean, School of Library and Information Sciences
North Carolina Central University; and Joi Chaney, Executive Director of the
National Urban League Washington Bureau and Senior Vice President for Policy
& Advocacy, National Urban League
Workstream 1 Co-Leads (*Model Policies and Best Practices to Prevent Digital
Discrimination*)

Lili Gangas, Chief Technology Community Officer
Kapor Center
Ad Hoc Member, Workstream I, DEI Working Group

11:15 am

Innovation and Access Working Group Report

Robert Brooks, Digital Solutions Specialist
WHUR-FM, Howard University
Chair, Innovation and Access Working Group

Anna Gomez, ACDDE *Chair Emeritus*
Representing the Hispanic National Bar Association
Workstream 1 Lead (*Recommendations to Ensure Inclusive Practices for
Identifying and Selecting Participating Entrepreneurs in Infrastructure
Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Contracting and Grants Processes*)

11:45 am

Diversity and Equity Working Group

Christopher Wood, Executive Director
LGBT Technology Partnership & Institute
Chair, Diversity and Equity Working Group

Randi Parker, Senior Director of Partnership Engagement, Creating IT Futures;
Jill Houghton, President and CEO, Disability:IN; and Joon Bang, CEO, Iona
Senior Services
Workstream 1 Co-Leads (*Defining Digital Discrimination Consistent with
Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)*)

12:15 pm

Discussion and Vote on the CEDC Report

12:45 pm

Lunch Break

1:30 pm

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Dominique Harrison, Ph.D.
Representing the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies
Chair, Digital Empowerment and Inclusion Working Group

Dr. Christopher Ali, Associate Professor, Department of Media Studies,
University of Virginia; and Chris James, President and CEO, National Center for
American Indian Enterprise Development
Workstream 2 Co-Leads (*Listening Sessions on Lessons Learned: Connecting
Opportunity Communities to Broadband During the COVID-19 Pandemic*)

Clayton Banks, CEO Silicon Harlem; Vickie Robinson, General Manager – Airband Initiative, Microsoft; and Sarah Kate Ellis, President and CEO, GLAAD Workstream 3 Co-Leads (*Public Convening: Connecting Opportunity Communities to Broadband During the COVID-19 Pandemic*)

2:00 pm

Innovation and Access Working Group Report

Robert Brooks, Digital Solutions Specialist
WHUR-FM, Howard University
Chair, Innovation and Access Working Group

Jennifer J. Jackson, Executive Vice President
Stellar TV and Central City Productions
Workstream 2 Member (*Access to Capital*)

Matthew Bauer, Vice President and Executive Director of Connected Communities
Wireless Research Center
Workstream 3 Lead (*Digital Equity/Closing the Digital Skills Gap*)

2:30 pm

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Christopher Wood, Executive Director
LGBT Technology Partnership & Institute
Chair, Diversity and Equity Working Group

Lili Gangas, Chief, Technology Community Officer, Kapor Center; and Antonio Tijerino, President and CEO, Hispanic Heritage Foundation
Workstream 2 Co-Leads (*Identify Model Digital and Tech Upskilling Resources to Increase Employment in Diverse Communities*)

Aama Nahuja, Legal Counsel, A Wonder Media Company, LLC; and Charlyn Stanberry, Vice President, Government Relations, National Association of Broadcasters
Workstream 3 Co-Leads (*Amplify the Role of Anchor Institutions in Creating Digital Equity in the Labor Force*)

Ellen Schned, CEO, Strong Women Alliance; Graham “Skip” Dillard, Brand Manager, Audacy New York 94.7 WXBX-FM; and Melody Spann Cooper, Chair and CEO, Midway Broadcasting Corporation
Workstream 4 Co-Leads (*Minority Media, Communications and Tech Ownership and Development*)

3:15 pm

Questions/Comments from the Public

3:30 pm

Adjournment

Heather Gate, Chair, CEDC, Connected Nation

Jamila Bess Johnson, Designated Federal Officer, CEDC