

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Secretary of the District of Columbia



Commission on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Meeting

Date: Tuesday, November 26th, 2024 - 6:00PM

Platform: WebEx –

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Facilitator/ Lead: Special Assistant/Public Information Officer Joshua Collins

Agenda:

1. Welcome/Call to Order
 - Joshua Collins opened the call with brief welcome remarks and officially called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

2. Determination of Quorum
 - Commissioners Mary Ivey, Jessica Tunon and Dr. Deborah Evans were present. Quorum was not met, with 3 out of the 7 commissioners present.

3. Office of the Secretary Updates
 - Joshua Collins provided an overview of upcoming Martin Luther King Jr Day Holiday events
 - United Planning Organization Breakfast at the Ronald Reagan Building International Trade Center, scheduled for Friday, January 17, 2025 at 8:30 AM
 - 2025 Martin Luther King Jr Day Peace Walk/Parade, scheduled for Saturday, January, 18, 2025
 - MLK Wreath Laying at the MLK Memorial – date TBD
 - Office of the Secretary – Office of Public Records MLK Program, date to be confirmed
 - MLK Commission Service Activity – TBD

4. Open Discussion/Questions and Concerns
 - After the events overview, Joshua Collins opened the floor for the Commissioners to share ideas for potential group outings

- Commissioner Ivey shared that she recently attended an exhibition at MLK Library entitled the Negro Motorist Green Book – an exhibit that offers a look at the reality of travel for African Americans in mid-century America and how the annual guide served as a resource for the nation’s rising African American middle class.
- Commissioner Evans also mentioned that a community service activity could be an option as well, suggested group should consider Martha’s Table to support a coat drive.
- Joshua mentioned that the Commission had some vacancies and would send the link out to the Commissioners to distribute to their respective networks and apply.

5. Next Meeting Date: Thursday, December 5th at 6:00 PM