

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA  
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION No. 2022-017**

A motion was made by Councilman McEvoy; seconded by Mayor Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**ESTABLISHING THE MULTICULTURAL INCLUSION AND  
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, a workgroup was formed by Township Council in August 2021 for the expressed purpose of developing a mission statement for diversity, equity, and inclusion activities in the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex, New Jersey, that there is hereby established the Multicultural Inclusion and Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Multicultural Inclusion and Accessibility Advisory Committee shall consist of eleven to thirteen members including the following:

A member of the Council to be appointed by it;  
Director of Administration and Economic Development or designee;  
Director of Community Services or designee;  
Director of the Verona Public Library or designee;  
The Superintendent of Schools or designee;  
Six (6) adult public members; and  
Two (2) high school public members (optional).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the term of the Director of Administration and Economic Development, the Director of Community Services, the Director of the Verona Public Library and the Superintendent of Schools shall correspond to their respective tenure or if the member is the respective official's designee in the absence of the respective official, the designee shall serve at the pleasure of the official during the official's tenure. The term of the Council member shall be for one year or terminate at the completion of their respective terms of office, whichever occurs first. Public members shall be appointed by the Council and shall serve for terms of one (1) year. Any vacancy occurring by reason of the death, resignation or removal for cause of any public member shall be filled by the Council for the unexpired term of such member.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Committee shall elect a Chairperson and Secretary at its first organizational meeting. The Secretary may be a member of the Committee or a municipal employee appointed by the Manager. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all the meetings of the Committee, which minutes and copies of official correspondence of the Committee shall be kept on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Committee shall organize within thirty (30) days of the approval of this resolution. The Committee shall hold regular meetings at least quarterly. Special meetings may be called by the Chairperson. The Committee may make and amend rules and regulations concerning the conduct of its meetings.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Multicultural Inclusion and Accessibility Advisory Committee is hereby charged with the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1) Make recommendations regarding diverse cultural, economic, and social issues within our community to the Township Council
- 2) Propose solutions to the Township Council that ensure accessibility for all community members for our services and programs
- 3) Assist the Director of the Administration and Economic Development and the Director of Community Services with the organization, coordination, research, and manage

actions in the Community as it relates to multicultural inclusion and accessibility of the Township's policies, programs, and services.

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES:** Holland, Tamburro, McEvoy, McGrath, Roman

**NAYS:**

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 3, 2022.**

  
JENNIFER KIERNAN  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

