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CITY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON NEWLY-FORMED RACE EQUITY TASK FORCE

Bainbridge Island, Wash., (January, 2019) – The City of Bainbridge Island is seeking seven volunteers to serve on the newly-formed Race Equity Task Force.

The City Council approved a motion during the [December 4 Study Session](#) to form a Race Equity Task Force after hearing from a group of concerned community members. The purpose of the Task Force is to provide advice and counsel to the City Council on matters of identifying programmatic, community and legislative options to ensure that Bainbridge Island lives up to its commitment of an open and welcoming community for all.

“The Comprehensive Plan reinforces our commitment to race equity, but we have not taken measurable steps to address institutional racism in our community,” said Councilmember Matt Tirman. “We will endeavor to change this through the Race Equity Task Force, which will include Islanders from diverse backgrounds.”

Councilmembers Rasham Nassar and Joe Deets will also serve on the Task Force. The group will meet once a month at City Hall. The day and time of the meetings will be decided at a future date.

Applications for the Race Equity Task Force can be found on the [City’s website](#), and must be submitted by 4 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25. Task Force interviews will take place Jan. 28 – Jan. 31.

Hyperlinks Included in Press Release:

December 4 Study Session:

http://bainbridgewa.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=1&clip_id=69

Application: <http://www.ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us/1124/Race-Equity-Task-Force>

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