

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## THE CITY OF UKIAH DIVERSITY AND EQUITY COMMITTEE SEEKS INTERESTED APPLICANTS

**Ukiah, CA. March 13, 2023.** The City of Ukiah is currently recruiting for several vacancies on the Diversity and Equity Committee. Qualified candidates, who would like to make a difference in their community and are interested in serving as a committee member are encouraged to apply.

For information about the vacancies and qualification requirements, visit <a href="http://cityofukiah.com/boards-commissions-committees/">http://cityofukiah.com/boards-commissions-committees/</a>. Committee members help to improve diversity and equity in the City's workforce and in the provision of municipal services by supporting the implementation of the City's Equity Action Plan, providing an annual review and update to the City Council on the Committee's progress, proposing revisions to the plan as necessary, and engaging with underrepresented groups in our community.

City Staff and the Diversity and Equity Committee have been working diligently on the implementation phase since the adoption of the City of Ukiah's Equity Action Plan (adopted January 19, 2022). Significant improvements include a 5% increase in staff diversity, inclusion of diversity and equity related initiatives in City budgets and Council Action Reports, and improved access to programs and services through multi-language communication materials and platforms.

Maria Conchita Ceja, who recently joined the City Manager's Office, stated, "It's a pleasure and an honor to be collaborating with the Diversity and Equity Committee. A lot of hard work is being placed into the implementation of the Equity Action Plan and I can't wait to see the achievements of this committee in five years".

Interested candidates can apply online through the City's website at <a href="https://cityofukiah.com/boards-commissions-committees/">https://cityofukiah.com/boards-commissions-committees/</a> or contact the City Clerk, Kristine Lawler, 707-463-9217, klawler@cityofukiah.com for more information.

Shannon Riley, Deputy City Manager

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