

DR 85-5 - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL COMMISSION - Summary and Recommendations.

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We as members of the Tabernacle Baptist Church are proud, yet humble that we are citizens of the United States of America, the greatest country in the world. We are proud to be citizens of the great state of Kansas. We would also like to share the pride that the Congress of the United States of America and President Reagan, as well as the state of Kansas and Governor Carlin in recognizing one of the greatest Americans who ever lived, on January 20, 1986. Namely, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

We do share the pride to a degree. However, our spirits are dampened by the attitude and lack of concern that have been displayed by our leaders and business executives of Wichita.

We strongly urge that you demonstrate in some way for just this one day, that Dr. King's death was not in vain and that you care as leaders and example setters for our great city. Just as you expect us to respect the law of this city, state and this great land, please show us that you have that same respect that you expect from us.

Betty Barrett	Carroll M. Barnes
Virginia Barrett	Lillie B. Hoff
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John Smith
Randolph Connolly
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Alfred Baldwin
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 Rev. C. M. Dyer
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 Clarence Hill
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 Lucille Hill
 Regina Howard
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Lynn Hutcherson
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Harvey Sarrett

Albin White
Katherine Tuckler

Edna Ross
Damon Bradley

Demetria Montgomery

North Page

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Wra. Penn

Mildred Taylor

Brenda Burton

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TO The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

SUBJECT Information on Federal King
Holiday

Attached for your information is a fact sheet on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal holiday. The information was prepared by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission.

The possibility of declaring January 20, 1986, as a City holiday is still a subject of discussion in union negotiations. Both the City and the employee unions must agree on the addition of the holiday. Options being considered include:

- (1) Adding the holiday to the list of paid City holidays;
- (2) Establishing "floating" holidays (one of which could be the King Holiday) and requiring individual employees to choose three holidays from among a list of four while keeping city offices open on all four holidays;
- (3) Trading the holiday with another paid holiday, e.g. requiring employees to give up their day off for their birthday in exchange for a day off for the King Holiday;
- (4) Recognizing the day by proclamation, but not observing it as a paid holiday.

Sedgwick County and the State of Kansas have already taken action to recognize the day as a holiday for employees. Sedgwick County's observance began in 1985.

The Federal Holiday Commission's cover letter from Mrs. King may also be of interest to you in generating ideas for community-oriented commemorative activities associated with the national holiday.

If you have any questions regarding the status of City recognition of the King Holiday, please let me know.

Terri Haddock

Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Federal Holiday Commission

March 24, 1985

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Coretta Scott King

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The Honorable James R. Thompson

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Delegate
1985 Congressional-City Conference
National League of Cities

Dear Delegate:

I want to thank you and the Honorable George V. Voinovich for providing me with the opportunity to share my thoughts and suggestions on the first observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday.

The first observance, January 20, 1986, should serve as a reminder to all Americans that racial equality must always be a cornerstone of our democracy. A day of reconciliation when we set aside all our differences and focus on unifying America in the spirit of Martin's dream.

Martin was an American hero and patriot. I would like to see citizens, schools, organizations, businesses and units of government encouraged to fly The Flag on the holiday. I would like to have heads of each unit of local government issue an official proclamation inviting every citizen to participate in the first observance of this historic event.

I want to encourage local units of government to cooperate with the State Holiday Commissions which are being established by our Governors to undertake appropriate ceremonies and events to honor Martin Luther King, Jr. during the holiday period.

On that special day, I would like each city to sponsor a march and observance rally with the observance rally scheduled for 12:00 noon at which time from bell towers and steeples, bells would ring out calling attention to the holiday.

As many of you are aware, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission has been given the responsibility to coordinate the nation's effort to celebrate the first holiday observance. The Commission is to encourage appropriate activities and advise and assist the public and private sectors in their efforts. The Commission was given no Federal appropriation and must depend upon public donations and gifts to carry out its mission. I would like to see each member city or unit of government with membership in the League send a tax free contribution to help the Commission meet its financial obligations. In addition to a monetary contribution, I am asking that local government officials designate an individual to serve as the primary contact with the Commission and apprise the Commission of that person.

Contributions may be made to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Corporation, a Nonprofit Charitable Organization formed to carry out the work of the Commission.

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Included in your conference packet is a Commission Fact Sheet. I encourage you to use the Fact Sheet to inform the public about the work of the Commission.

The Commission thanks you for your cooperation and support and we look forward to a magnificent holiday celebration to honor the life, legacy and dream of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Coretta Scott King". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Coretta Scott King
Chairperson

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. FEDERAL HOLIDAY COMMISSION

FACT SHEET

FEDERAL LEGAL HOLIDAY HONORING MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

January 20, 1986 will mark the first observance of the Federal legal holiday honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. Passage of the act came after over 16 years of effort by the King family, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc., and the countless supporters of Martin Luther King, Jr. from all walks of life--from select members of Congress, the White House, business and labor, from civil rights and religious groups--and, most importantly, those individuals who have worked continuously to make his dream a reality.

The act establishing the holiday sets aside the third Monday of January as the official Federal holiday. (Martin Luther King, Jr.'s actual birthday is January 15.) According to the act, "the holiday should serve as a time for Americans to reflect on the principles of racial equality and nonviolent social change espoused by Martin Luther King, Jr."

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FEDERAL HOLIDAY COMMISSION

Once the Federal legal holiday was enacted, Mrs. Coretta Scott King, President of The King Center, asked the leadership of Congress to establish a Federal commission to assist in the first observance of the holiday. Congresswoman Katie Hall of Indiana was asked to introduce the legislation and the bipartisan leadership of the Congress honored Mrs. King's request by expediting passage of the act creating the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission. President Ronald Reagan signed the legislation on August 27, 1984.

Specifically, the act calls for "the Federal Government to coordinate efforts with Americans of diverse backgrounds and with private organizations in the first observance of the Federal legal holiday honoring Martin Luther King, Jr."

PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION

Encouraging "appropriate ceremonies and activities throughout the U.S." and "providing advice and assistance to Federal, State and local governments and to private organizations" is the purpose of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission.

VIEWING THE HOLIDAY

Mrs. King has asked that Dr. King's birthday serve as a focal point for encouraging improved race relations and as a means for unifying America in the spirit of Dr. King's dream. The holiday must be a time to remind America and the world of what Dr. King marched for, preached for, and finally died for. It must be a day of national unity. A day in which Americans of every race, religion, class and political persuasion are involved in the celebration of Dr. King's legacy, life and dream. Dr. King was truly an American hero and patriot and Americans are encouraged to fly the Nation's flag on Monday,

January 20, 1986. The holiday should be one of healing and reconciliation. A day for coming together, sharing and caring for one another in the tradition of Martin Luther King, Jr. The holiday will hopefully ignite a spirit that will continue for days, months and years to come.

ENCOURAGING STATE HOLIDAY COMMISSIONS

The Federal Holiday Commission will seek the cooperation of governors, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories and U.S. military installations overseas in establishing Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commissions, modeled on the Federal Commission. Major emphasis will be placed on getting State Commissions to encourage public involvement in the planning of appropriate events honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. and seek to promote public participation to its fullest in the activities and ceremonies of the holiday.

COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

Recognizing that The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Inc. is the official national and international memorial established to continue Dr. King's legacy and work, Congress mandated that the Commission include Mrs. Coretta Scott King, two members of the King family and two representatives from The King Center.

In addition to the King family and the representatives of The King Center, the act called for the Commission to be equally represented by Democrats and Republicans composed of four officers of the executive branch, appointed by the President; eight members of Congress, four each from the House and Senate selected by the leadership of Congress; and 14 commissioners representing such diverse groups as organized labor, business, civil rights, education, religious groups, youth organizations, sports, and the entertainment world, to be selected by the original 17 appointees.

The 31 member commission is indicative of the broad range of support and respect all segments of our society hold for Martin Luther King, Jr.'s inspiration and accomplishments. Mrs. Coretta Scott King serves as the Chairperson of the Commission and Governor James R. Thompson of Illinois is the Vice Chairperson. Members of the Commission are as follows:

Members of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Family

Mrs. Christine King Farris
Mrs. Coretta Scott King
Miss Yolanda King

Representatives of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change

Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Directors of The King Center and President, Atlanta Life Insurance Company
Andrew Young, Vice President of International Affairs of The King Center and Mayor of Atlanta

Administration Officials

George W. Armstrong, Associate
Director of Personnel,
The White House
Lawrence F. Davenport, Assistant
Secretary for Elementary and
Secondary Education, Department
of Education
Rosslee Green Douglas, Director,
Office of Minority Economic
Impact, Department of Energy
Clarence M. Pendleton, Jr.,
Chairman, U.S. Commission on
Civil Rights

Congress

Senator Robert Dole
(R-Kansas)
Senator Ernest F. Hollings
(D-South Carolina)
Senator Edward M. Kennedy
(D-Massachusetts)
Senator Charles McC. Mathias
(R-Maryland)
Congressman James A. Courter
(R-New Jersey)
Congressman William H. Gray III
(D-Pennsylvania)
Congressman Mickey Leland
(D-Texas)
Congressman Ralph Regula
(R-Ohio)

Entertainment

Stevie Wonder
Entertainer/Composer

**Civil Rights and
Religious Group Leaders**

Reverend Doctor Joseph E. Lowery,
President, Southern Christian
Leadership Conference
Mario G. Obledo, National President,
League of United Latin American
Citizens (LULAC)
Ms. Claire Randall, Immediate Past
General Secretary of the National
Council of Churches

**Business and Labor
Leaders**

Murray Finley, President,
Amalgamated Clothing and Textile
Workers Union, AFL-CIO
Mary Hatwood Futrell, President
National Education Association
Edward G. Jefferson, Chairman and Chief
Executive Officer, E.I. du Pont
de Nemours & Co.

Business and Labor
Leaders (cont'd)

James P. Shannon, Vice President
Executive Director, General Mills
Foundation

Youth Organizations

Gregory T. Moore, President,
U.S. Student Association

Additional Members of
the Commission

Katie Hall, former Congresswoman
Jewel S. Lafontant, Attorney
Dr. Edward Hirsch Levi, President
Emeritus, University of Chicago
and former Attorney General of
the U.S.
James R. Thompson, Governor of
Illinois
Peter V. Ueberroth, Commissioner
of Baseball

WORKING COMMITTEES

To accomplish the Commission's objectives and to involve both the public and private sectors and the general populace in planning and participating in the first observance of the Federal holiday honoring Dr. King, the Commission has established a number of committees. The committees will be composed of Commission members and volunteers from the public and private sectors and people across the country. A partial list of the committees and committee co-chairs follows:

NATIONAL SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE:

The National Special Events Committee will focus on encouraging observances, events and celebrations honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in the Nation's capitol and in Atlanta, Georgia, and on providing whatever assistance is appropriate.

Co-chairs: Mayor Andrew Young
Atlanta, Georgia

Mayor Marion S. Barry, Jr.
Washington, DC

NATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE:

The Committee will seek to mobilize the members of the Nation's entertainment community to support and participate in national or local birthday observance events; cooperate with the production of public-service announcements calling for public support of the 1986 observance, and where possible, to help with fund-raising initiatives on behalf of the Commission.

Co-chair: Stevie Wonder
Entertainer/Composer

FUND RAISING/RESOURCE SOLICITATION COMMITTEE:

The Federal act requires that (Sec. 7): "All expenditures of the Commission shall be made from donated funds." This Committee will be responsible for assisting with the development of the operating budget for the Commission; with solicitation of "seed money" to make it operational and with the solicitation of funds necessary to carry out its responsibilities under the act. The Committee will also seek in-kind services, donations of property, equipment, space, personal services, etc., as appropriate to carry out the mandate of the Commission.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

The Public Relations Committee will work with all segments of the communications industry to obtain maximum coverage and support for the 1986 Federal holiday. To assure a coordinated and timely dissemination of information and news concerning the Federal holiday, the Committee will cooperate with newspapers, magazines, commercial and public radio and television, the billboard industry, and the Advertising Council and advertising and trade associations. The Committee will also encourage the development and presentation of special materials, reports and documentaries on the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and The King Center.

Co-chair: Senator Ernest F. Hollings

COMMITTEE ON STATE HOLIDAY COMMISSIONS:

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Co-chair: Governor James R. Thompson

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

The Education Committee will work with school systems, primary, secondary and higher education, and professional educational associations throughout the U.S. to institute a curriculum of special teaching units focusing on the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the major themes of equality and nonviolence.

Co-chairs: Mary Hatwood Futrell
President
National Education Assn.

Lawrence F. Davenport
Assistant Secretary for Elementary
and Secondary Education,
U.S. Department of Education

LABOR COMMITTEE:

The Committee will secure the participation and support of organized labor for national and local events honoring the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Labor organizations will be encouraged to sponsor, plan and present appropriate holiday activities in the communities, at union halls, and at places of employment.

Co-chair: Murray Finley
President
Amalgamated Clothing & Textile Workers

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE:

The Committee will focus its efforts on securing the cooperation of business and industry, and of associations and organizations whose membership is drawn from the private sector, in planning, sponsoring, supporting and participating in ceremonies and activities to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., locally and nationwide. The Committee will also encourage business and industry to sponsor activities honoring Dr. King at their places of business.

Co-chair: Edward Jefferson
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

The Committee on Religious Community Involvement will mobilize the Nation's organized religious groups to sponsor appropriate observances and programs in honor of Dr. King and to support national special events scheduled for Washington, D.C. or Atlanta. The Committee will also encourage religious groups to be involved with local anniversary activities and to disseminate information on the life and works of Dr. King through their communications network.

Co-chairs: Claire Randall Rabbi Henry D. Michelman
 Immediate Past General Executive Vice President
 Secretary Synagogue Council of America
 Nat'l Council of Churches

 Monsignor Daniel Hoyer
 General Secretary
 U.S. Catholic Conference

COMMITTEE FOR YOUTH AND STUDENT INVOLVEMENT:

The Committee will encourage and assist youth and student organizations to develop and present programs focusing on Dr. King's life and work, racial equality and the principles of nonviolent social change, and to support local and national birthday events.

Co-chairs: Gregory T. Moore Donna Brazile
 President Executive Director
 U.S. Student Assn. Black Women's Political Caucus

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National Education Assn.

Lawrence F. Davenport
Assistant Secretary for Elementary
and Secondary Education,
U.S. Department of Education

LIBRARY COMMITTEE:

The Library Committee will work with public libraries to assure that books and other reading materials on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. are available to the public. The Committee will encourage and assist libraries in preparing special displays and exhibits on Dr. King for viewing during the month of January 1986 and thereafter, and in undertaking other initiatives consistent with the national celebration. To accomplish its objectives, the Library Committee shall seek to work directly with the American Library Association and other appropriate organizations.

Co-chair: E. J. Josey
President
American Library Association

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

The Legislative Committee will, upon request, work with state governments to provide information on model legislation to complement the Federal legislation honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Co-chair: Representative Ralph Regula

COMMISSION ON CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS:

The Committee will seek to maximize support for, and participation in, the observance of Dr. King's first legal national holiday by those organizations concerned with civil and human rights. It will encourage their support for, and participation in, national, state and local events, and in individual organizational initiatives, that can be coordinated with The Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission. The Committee will utilize organizational networks and communications resources to spread the word about the holiday and to enlist widespread grassroots support for its proper and appropriate observance and celebration.

Co-chairs: Reverend Dr. Joseph E. Lowery
President, Southern
Christian Leadership Conf.
Eleanor Holmes Norton
Professor of Law
Georgetown University Law
Center

DURATION AND FUNDING

The act establishing the Commission states that "all expenditures of the Commission shall be made from donated funds." The Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Corporation, the legal entity through which the Commission will conduct its activities, accepts donations of money, property and personal services from individuals and public and private organizations to assist it in carrying out its purpose. Checks should be made payable to The Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Corporation, c/o Morgan, Lewis and Bockius, Counselors at Law, 1800 M Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

The Commission is scheduled to go out of existence on April 20, 1986, after reporting to the President and Congress on the results of its mission.

The Commission maintains offices in Atlanta, Georgia and Washington, D.C.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION must be given to the efforts and sacrifice of friends and supporters who worked for the passage of the King Holiday legislation: members of the Congressional Black Caucus, Congressman John Conyers of Michigan, Congressman Robert Garcia of New York, former Congresswoman Katie Hall of Indiana, Senator Charles McC. Mathias of Maryland, Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker, House Speaker Thomas Tip O'Neill, Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts and so many other supporters in the Congress, from both political parties. Vice President George Bush, Senator Bob Dole of Kansas and Congressman Jack Kemp of New York played an important role in the final passage of the act and in securing Administration support for the legislation. Special credit must be given to The King Center's Board member, Stevie Wonder, who sponsored rallies in the Nation's capitol, collected millions of signatures and distributed the inspirational song, "Happy Birthday, Martin." HUD Secretary Samuel R. Pierce, Jr. provided accommodations and essential resources for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission to begin its national program effort for the first observance of the Federal holiday honoring Dr. King to take place on January 20, 1986.

Robert A. Lakin
DR-

WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY
METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT

May 3, 1985

TO: Maxine Hansen &
Metropolitan Area Planning Commission

FROM: Robert A. Lakin, Director of Planning

SUBJECT: Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

An agenda item will appear on the May 7, 1985 City Commission agenda concerning the above subject. Since you were the Planning Commission's designee for the formation of a commission to honor Dr. King, I thought you might find this memo of interest to you. I will let you know the results.

Robert A. Lakin

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ROUTE

DATE May 2, 1985

CITY OF WICHITA
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

TO The Honorable Board of City Commissioners
FROM Robert G. Finch, City Manager (Interim)

SUBJECT Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial
Commission

At the February 5, 1985 meeting of the City Commission, the Commission voted to defer consideration of a resolution establishing a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission until after a new City Commission was convened. The action was taken in order to involve the two new Commissioners in the appointment of Memorial Commission members.

The purpose of the proposed Memorial Commission was to identify and develop a community consensus for the designation of an appropriate memorial to Dr. King.

Since the Commission last considered the King Commission, the Kansas Legislature passed House Bill No. 2195, an act designating Interstate 135 (I-135) in Wichita as "the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway." The bill, sponsored by thirteen members of the Sedgwick County House delegation, was signed by the Governor on Tuesday, April 23. The new law will take effect on July 1, 1985. A copy of House Bill No. 2195 is attached. The City Commission was previously informed of the bill in the Legislative Activities reports of February 11 and March 17.

The bill requires that the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) place memorial markers on I-135. The City of Wichita is required to reimburse the State for its costs. KDOT has informed the City that the designation of I-135 would include four signs: one at the north end of the canal route; two at the I-135 and Kellogg intersection; and one at the south end of the canal route. The ten-foot by four-foot signs are estimated to cost \$327 each for a total expense to the City of \$1,308. The signs will be paid for from gas tax funds in the 1985 Traffic Engineering budget.

The King Memorial Highway bill was amended by the Legislature to incorporate the provisions of another House Bill. The language pertaining to issuance of bonds for highway improvements in House Bill 2195 was "tacked on" to permit action to be taken in this area.

Status of King Commission

Inasmuch as a memorial has now been designated to honor Dr. King in Wichita, the City Commission may wish to consider the following options with regard to the proposed King Memorial Commission:

- 1) Take no action to create the Commission. The original request from Reverend D.D. Miller of the Wichita Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. was to designate a major street in Wichita, specifically 21st Street North, #9. em

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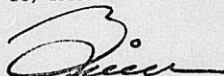
as a King memorial drive. Opposition was raised by many residents and businesses on 21st Street because of the inconvenience they would experience associated with changing the name of the street, e.g. changing stationery and business cards. Now, I-135, within the Wichita city limits, will be designated the Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Highway. The memorial highway will be highly visible to both visitors and Wichitans alike and will not require many, if any, addresses to change.

- 2) Create the Commission with a modified charge. Under this option, a King Commission could be convened and given the responsibility of planning community dedication activities. Attached is a proposed resolution which provides for the creation of such a Commission.

The Public Affairs Office would have responsibility under the resolution for working with the Dedication Commission in developing appropriate dedication activities. Dedication activities can be held either in conjunction with the installation of the new signs in 1985 or with the 1986 commemoration of Dr. King's birthday in January.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve option (2) and the accompanying resolution creating a Martin Luther King, Jr., Dedication Commission. It is further recommended that appointments to the Commission be made at the City Commission meeting of May 14, 1985.



Robert G. Finch
City Manager (Interim)

Attachment

cc: Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer
Judy Anderson, Intergovernmental Affairs Officer
William McKinley, Traffic Engineer
Robert Lakin, Director of Planning
Lorraine Griffin Johnson, Director of Human Resources
Don Anderson, Director of Housing and Economic Development
Annie Montgomery, Citizens Rights and Services Director

[As Amended by Senate Committee of the Whole]

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 1965

HOUSE BILL No. 2195

By Representative Cribbs, Baker, Barkis, Duncan,
Francisco, Gjerstad, Grotewiel, Helgerson, Jarchow,
Johnson, Justice, Luzzati, K.Ott, Pottorff,
Webb and Williams

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0024 AN ACT [concerning highways; issuance of bonds for highway
0025 improvements;] designating Interstate 135 in Wichita as "the
0026 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial highway" and provid-
0027 ing for signing thereof; amending K.S.A. 1984 Supp. 68-402b
0028 and repealing the existing section].

0029 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

0030 [New Section 1. When the governing body of any city de-
0031 termines it is desirable to pay the state's share of the cost of
0032 highway improvement in such city, the governing body may
0033 issue general obligation bonds of the city in the manner pro-
0034 vided by section 2. The bonds shall be authorized, issued, regis-
0035 tered and sold in the manner prescribed by the general bond law
0036 and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed the maximum rate
0037 prescribed by K.S.A. 10-1009, and amendments thereto. General
0038 obligation bonds issued by a city under the authority of this
0039 section shall not be subject to any limitation on the bonded
0040 indebtedness of the city.

0041 [New Sec. 2. The governing body of any city may submit the
0042 question of issuing general obligation bonds of the city as au-
0043 thorized by section 1 to the electors at an election called by the
0044 governing body at any time and held thereon. The governing
0045 body shall submit such question upon submission of a petition
0046 signed by not less than 10% of the qualified electors of the city.

0047 [New Sec. 3. When the secretary of transportation has
0048 agreed to schedule an improvement project to begin construc-

0049 tion within one year and has agreed that local participation in
0050 supplying funds is desirable, the governing body of any city may
0051 participate with the state by providing funds for the state's share
0052 of any highway improvement in the city. Such funds may be
0053 provided from the proceeds of bonds issued under section 1. The
0054 secretary of transportation may contract with any city regard-
0055 ing the repayment of all or any part of any funds furnished by
0056 such city and may provide for the repayment thereof from the
0057 state highway fund. If such funds are derived from bonds issued
0058 pursuant to section 1, any repayment thereof shall be deposited
0059 in the city general fund.

0060 [Sec. 4. K.S.A. 1984 Supp. 68-402b is hereby amended to
0061 read as follows: 68-402b. (a) Authority is hereby granted to
0062 counties, cities and political subdivisions in this state to enter
0063 into contracts through or with the secretary of transportation, to
0064 enable the state and such counties, cities and political subdivi-
0065 sions to participate in the benefits to be secured from federal-aid
0066 funds, or funds made available from the federal government for
0067 highway, road or street purposes or for purposes relating to the
0068 various other modes and systems of transportation. Contracts so
0069 entered into by the boards of county commissioners or the
0070 governing bodies of cities or other political subdivisions shall be
0071 binding on them or their successors. The secretary of transpor-
0072 tation may negotiate and enter into contracts with the federal
0073 government, federal departments or federal agencies and take
0074 all steps and proceedings necessary to secure such benefits for
0075 such counties, cities or other political subdivisions.

0076 [The secretary of transportation may determine amounts to be
0077 paid from the state highway fund on account of any federal-aid
0078 project on the highway system in any county, city or other
0079 political subdivision constructed under the provisions of the
0080 federal-aid highway act of 1956 or prior federal-aid acts and all
0081 acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, or relating to
0082 the various other modes and systems of transportation, and
0083 approve vouchers therefor. The counties' share of the cost of all
0084 such contracts so entered into by them under the federal-aid
0085 highway act of 1956 or prior federal aid acts and all acts

0086 amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto and federal acts
0087 relating to other modes and systems of transportation shall be
0088 paid by the proper county from the road and bridge fund of such
0089 county, or from any special fund available for such purpose.

0090 [Federal aid for secondary roads shall be allocated by the
0091 secretary of transportation to each of the several counties in the
0092 proportion that the total gross amount of moneys received by
0093 each county from the special city and county highway fund and
0094 the county equalization and adjustment fund in the preceding
0095 calendar year prior to distribution of any such moneys bears to
0096 the total amount of moneys received by all counties from such
0097 fund in such year. If any county does not provide matching
0098 funds for federal aid allocated to such county, then the secretary
0099 of transportation may allocate such federal-aid funds to other
0100 counties or to the state secondary road system, and the secretary
0101 may accumulate any federal-aid moneys allocated to any or all
0102 counties over such period of time as the secretary deems neces-
0103 sary. Also the secretary may allow an advanced allocation of
0104 federal-aid funds to any county which establishes a need for
0105 additional federal-aid funds. Any such advanced allocation shall
0106 be made from accumulated federal-aid funds. Such federal-aid
0107 advanced allocations shall be credited back to such accumulated
0108 federal-aid funds if, or when, federal-aid funds are subsequently
0109 allocated to the counties that have received such advance allo-
0110 cations.

0111 [(b) In addition to the powers granted by subsection (a), the
0112 secretary may negotiate and enter into contracts with the fed-
0113 eral government, federal departments, federal agencies or any
0114 other entity and may pledge any federal aid funds or other funds
0115 made available from the federal government for that or any
0116 other highway, road or street purposes within the state to repay
0117 funds which were advanced by counties, cities or political sub-
0118 divisions of this state for highway, road or street purposes
0119 pursuant to the approval of the secretary of transportation.
0120 No contracts authorized by this subsection shall be entered
0121 into after July 1, 1986.]

0122 Section 4[Sec. 5]. Interstate highway 135 from its intersec-

0123 tion with Interstate 235 just north of the north city limit of
0124 Wichita to its intersection with Interstate 35 near the south city
0125 limit of Wichita is hereby designated as "the Dr. Martin Luther
0126 King, Jr., memorial highway." The secretary of transportation
0127 shall place markers along the highway right-of-way at proper
0128 intervals to indicate that the highway is the Dr. Martin Luther
0129 King, Jr., memorial highway. The city of Wichita shall reimburse
0130 the secretary of transportation for the cost of placing markers, as
0131 provided by this section, in accordance with invoice of the
0132 secretary therefor.

0133 [Sec. 6. K.S.A. 1984 Supp. 68-402b is hereby repealed.]

0134 Sec. 2 [7]. This act shall take effect and be in force from and
0135 after its publication in the statute book.

SESSION OF 1985

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2195

As Amended by Senate Committee of the WholeBrief of Bill*

H.B. 2195 designates Interstate 35 from its intersection with Interstate 235 north of the north city limit of Wichita to its intersection with Interstate 35 near the south city limit of Wichita as "the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway." The Secretary of Transportation shall place markers along the highway right-of-way at proper intervals to indicate that the highway is the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway.

The Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

The House Transportation Committee amended the bill by requiring that the city of Wichita reimburse the Secretary of Transportation for the cost of placing the markers on the right-of-way.

The Senate Committee of the Whole added the provisions of H.B. 2295 to this bill. This bill allows cities to provide the state's share of matching funds for highway improvements by issuing general obligation bonds.

Background

With regard to the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway, the city of Wichita told the Committee that the proposed designation would include four ten-foot by four-foot signs. H.B. 2295 was supported by the League of Kansas Municipalities. The bill is similar to 1983 H.B. 2317 which was signed into law.

* Bill briefs are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., through his dynamic leadership in the area of civil rights, has achieved a place in history as a significant national figure; and

WHEREAS, the inspiring life of Dr. King has touched the lives of Wichitans in many ways; and

WHEREAS, legislation has been enacted to designate Interstate 135 (I-135) in Wichita as "the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway;" and

WHEREAS, the City of Wichita desires to formally dedicate I-135 as a community memorial recognizing the contributions of Dr. King;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the City of Wichita:

Section 1. A special commission, to be called the "Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Dedication Commission," is hereby established to serve until the Wichita dedication of the I-135 memorial highway, at which time said commission shall be deemed to be disbanded. The membership of the special commission will consist of five members appointed by the Wichita Board of City Commissioners. The members of the special commission shall be nominated by individual City Commissioners, with each Commissioner nominating one member. City staff may be appointed as Commission members.

Section 2. Staff support for the special commission shall be provided by the City of Wichita's Public Affairs Office.

Section 3. The responsibilities of the special commission shall be to plan appropriate ceremonial activities to dedicate the King memorial highway and to report these plans to the Wichita Board of City Commissioners.

Section 4. The special commission shall meet as necessary to discharge its responsibilities and shall make reports to the Wichita Board of City Commissioners relative to its actions.

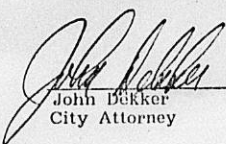
ADOPTED at Wichita, Kansas, by the governing body of the City of Wichita this ____ day of _____, 1985.

Robert C. Brown
Mayor

ATTEST:

Approved as to form:

Donald C. Gisick
City Clerk



John Dekker
City Attorney

THE CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DATE May 30, 1985

TO Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission

FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

SUBJECT Dedication of I-135 as King Highway

Attached is a response from John B. Kemp, Secretary of Transportation, to our request for information regarding the installation of markers on Interstate 135 (I-135) -- the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway.

According to Mr. Kemp, the markers will be installed during the first part of July. He has asked the City to advise him of the date dedication activities are planned to assure that the signs will be in place by that time.

MEMORIAL COMMISSION ACTION

If the Memorial Commission feels some type of dedication activities associated with the installation of memorial markers on I-135 should be held, plans should be made soon. The following questions should be considered:

1. Should the dedication activities be sponsored by the City or a community group?
2. What day and time should the dedication be held?
3. Who should be invited?
4. Where should the dedication be held?
5. Who should head up plans for the dedication representing the Memorial Commission?

Traffic Engineer William McKinley will be present at the meeting to answer any questions you may have concerning the placement of the signs by the State of Kansas.



Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

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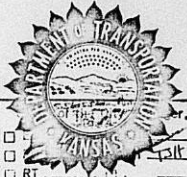
KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

STATE OFFICE BUILDING—TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612

JOHN B. KEMP, Secretary of Transportation

JOHN CARLIN, Governor

May 17, 1985



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Robert G. Finch
City Manager (Interim)
City of Wichita
City Hall
Thirteenth Floor
455 North Main Street
Wichita, Kansas 67202

Dear Mr. Finch:

This is in response to your letter of May 8, 1985 concerning the "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway" signs.

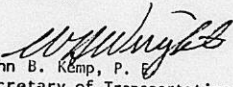
The markers will be 10' 6" by 4' 0" in size with white letters on green background. The legend will be "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway." It is proposed to use four signs. One just south of I 235 for southbound I 135 traffic; one just north of the Turnpike for northbound I 135 traffic. The other two will be placed on the off ramps on US 54 to I 135.

The cost of the signs, as indicated in your letter is estimated to be \$327 each for a total of \$1,308.

If the City wishes to have a dedication ceremony, the date should be somewhere in the middle to late July. If we could be advised as to the date, selected by the City, we will have the signs made and erected by that date.

Our Traffic Engineering Bureau has furnished your Traffic Engineer, Mr. William McKinley, a layout of the sign and also the above information. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please advise.

Sincerely,


John B. Kemp, P. E.
Secretary of Transportation

THE CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DATE May 29, 1985

TO Members of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

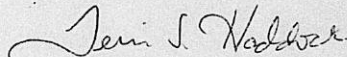
FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

SUBJECT First Meeting of the King
Commission

The first meeting of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission has been set for Thursday, June 6, at 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the City Commission Conference Room, 1st Floor, City Hall (the room is just inside the City Commission Office).

Enclosed are agenda materials for the meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions prior to the meeting. If you cannot be there on June 6, please call either my secretary, Jeanette Hammond, at 268-4331 or me at 268-4351.

See you on June 6.



Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

Enclosures

P.S. I have enclosed City Hall parking decals for those who are not already on a City board. The decal must be placed on your back left bumper. It entitles you to free parking in any metered space in the City Hall lots.

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Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission

Meeting Agenda

June 6, 1985

The Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission will meet at 2:00 p.m., on Thursday, June 6, 1985, in the City Commission Conference Room, 1st Floor, City Hall, 455 N. Main.

Call to Order

- * 1. Introductions
- * 2. Adoption of Bylaws
- 3. Election of President, First and Second Vice Presidents
- * 4. Discussion of Commission Charge/Commission Organization
- * 5. Dedication Activities for I-135, the "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway?"
 - a. Report on State timetable for installation of markers
 - b. Appoint Commission Member to Head activity - subcommittee?
- 6. Brainstorming - Information needed for study.
- 7. Selection of next meeting date/meeting schedule.

Announcements

Adjournment

* Information pertaining to this item included in agenda packet.

CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DATE May 29, 1985

TO Members of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

SUBJECT Adoption of Bylaws

Attached are draft bylaws for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission. The bylaws are standard form City of Wichita bylaws.

Your attention is directed to Article III, "Meetings of the Commission," Sections 1 and 2. The "first Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m.," is shown as a proposed meeting date and time. The Commission should determine a monthly meeting date to accommodate the schedule of its members and amend the proposed bylaws accordingly.

It is recommended that the proposed bylaws be adopted or, if the meeting date and time is changed, adopted as amended.



Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

Attachment

cc: Ex officios McKinley, Lakin, Montgomery, Griffin Johnson, and Anderson

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METROPOLITAN PLANNING

ROUTE

BYLAWS OF
THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., MEMORIAL COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS

ARTICLE I

PURPOSE AND ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The purpose of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission of the City of Wichita, Kansas, shall be (a) to solicit public input and develop recommendations on whether the City of Wichita should designate a memorial to Dr. King in addition to Interstate 135 (I-135) which, within the City's limits, has been designated as the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway; (b) to solicit public input and develop recommendations on the appropriate type of King memorial, possible memorial locations and possible funding for a memorial, if the designation of another memorial seems necessary and appropriate; (c) to develop recommendations on appropriate ceremonial activities to dedicate a King memorial, either I-135 or another memorial; (d) to develop recommendations as to whether the King Commission should be retained as a permanent City board to organize City participation in memorial activities in honor of Dr. King; and (e) to report its recommendations to the City Commission, and to have such authority as may have been or may hereafter be conferred by law. Said board has been created by the terms of the establishing Resolution.

SECTION 2. Said Commission shall be composed of 10 members to be appointed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Wichita. Five members are to be nominated by individual commissioners and five (one each) from the following organizations: The Metropolitan Area Planning Commission; the Wichita Traffic Commission; the Human Resources Board; the Economic Development Commission; and the Wichita Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

All Commission members shall hold their office until the disbandment of the Commission, or until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. In the event of the death, resignation or other disqualification of any member, his or her successor shall be appointed to fill only the unexpired term caused by such vacancy.

Any Commission member may be removed by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Wichita for the same cause as any appointive officer and as provided by Section 2.12.020 of the City Code.

ARTICLE II

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

SECTION 1. That said Commission, after qualifying as provided by law and as herein specified, shall be vested with the following powers and authority, to-wit: (a) to solicit public input and develop recommendations on whether the City of Wichita should designate a memorial to Dr. King in addition to Interstate 135 (I-135) which, within the City's limits, has been designated as the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway; (b) to solicit public input and develop recommendations on the appropriate type of King memorial, possible

memorial locations and possible funding for a memorial, if the designation of another memorial seems necessary and appropriate; (c) to develop recommendations on appropriate ceremonial activities to dedicate a King memorial, either I-135 or another memorial; (d) to develop recommendations as to whether the King Commission should be retained as a permanent City board to organize City participation in memorial activities in honor of Dr. King; and (e) to report its recommendations to the City Commission.

SECTION 2. In all formal matters, said Commission shall act by resolution, and all notices required by law to be given by publication shall be published in the official city paper.

ARTICLE III

MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION

SECTION 1. Regular meetings of the Commission shall be held on the first Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in the office of the Commission in the City of Wichita, Kansas. When the date of a regular meeting comes on a legal holiday, the President of the Commission shall designate the date for the next regular meeting.

SECTION 2. The Secretary or other authorized officer shall prepare a notice of the meeting and an agenda of all matters to come before the meeting and mail the same to the Commission members no later than Friday preceding the next regular meeting. A copy of the agenda shall also be furnished to the City Manager. Any member of the Commission may cause matters to be placed on the agenda by advising the Secretary or other authorized officer no later than 12 o'clock noon on the Thursday preceding the next regular meeting.

SECTION 3. Special meetings of the Commission may be called by the President at any time by giving suitable notice of the time and place of such meeting to all the members thereof, and may also be called upon the request of any five (5) members.

SECTION 4. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the Commission appointed and qualified at any given time.

SECTION 5. All meetings of the Commission shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order except insofar as modified by these bylaws and the rules and procedures as adopted by the Commission.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

SECTION 1. The officers of the Commission shall be as follows:

President, who shall be by said Commission elected from its number and shall preside at all meetings of the Commission and shall sign, execute, act and deliver for the Commission all contracts, warrants and documents of any kind required or authorized to be signed or delivered by said Commission.

First Vice-President, who shall be by said Commission elected from its number and, in the absence or disqualification or disability of the President, shall perform the duties of the President and shall act in place of the President, with the full power and authority which the President would have were the President present.

Second Vice-President, who shall be by said Commission elected from its number and, in the absence or disqualification or disability of the President and the First Vice-President, shall perform the duties of the President and shall act

in place of the President with the full power and authority which the President would have were the President present.

Secretary, who shall be by said Commission appointed and who is not a member of said Commission. The Secretary shall be present at all meetings and shall keep a complete record of all proceedings of said Commission and shall perform such other duties as may be required by law or ordinance.

SECTION 2. The Commission shall appoint such other officers as may be required by law or ordinance, or as the business of the Commission demands.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Commission, shall, when required by law, authenticate, by the seal of the Commission and the signature of the Secretary, the signature of the President.

ARTICLE V

RULES AND PROCEDURE

The Commission shall adopt appropriate rules and procedures for the conduct of meetings and for the transaction of the Commission's business.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

The Commission may, by a two-thirds majority vote thereof, amend these bylaws or any provisions or sections thereof at any time when the same is not in conflict or in contravention of any of the laws of the State of Kansas or ordinances applicable thereto. Provided, however, that notice of the proposed

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Bylaws of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission
of the City of Wichita, Kansas

amendments be furnished by the Secretary to the Commission members not less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which said amendments are to be considered. A copy of the bylaws will be filed with the office of the City Clerk.

The above and foregoing bylaws are hereby adopted as the Bylaws of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission of the City of Wichita, Kansas.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 1985.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

THE CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DATE May 29, 1985

TO Members of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

SUBJECT Commission Responsibilities/
Organization

Attached is a copy of the resolution establishing the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission. The purpose of this memorandum is to review the duties of the Commission and to open discussion as to the direction in which the Commission may wish to proceed to accomplish its ends.

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 of the resolution sets forth the membership of the Commission. Attached is a list of Commission members, both appointees and ex officios.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The King Memorial Commission is a special commission created to advise the City Commission on action the City should take to honor Dr. King. The specific responsibilities of the special commission are:

- 1) To solicit public input and develop recommendations on whether the City of Wichita should designate a memorial to Dr. King in addition to Interstate 135 (I-135) which, within the City's limits, has been designated as the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway.
- 2) To solicit public input and develop recommendations on the appropriate type of King memorial, possible memorial locations and possible funding for a memorial, if the designation of another memorial seems necessary and appropriate.
- 3) To develop recommendations on appropriate ceremonial activities to dedicate a King memorial, either I-135 or another memorial.
- 4) To develop recommendations as to whether the King Commission should be retained as a permanent City board to organize City participation in memorial activities in honor of Dr. King.
- 5) To report its recommendations to the City Commission.

COMMISSION DIRECTION AND ORGANIZATION

The resolution emphasizes one special role of the Commission: soliciting public input in the course of developing recommendations. Further, the Commission has

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several separate, yet interrelated, tasks set forth. Attached is a flow chart which illustrates the possible progression of Commission activities.

While an immediate issue which must be considered is whether or not the City should sponsor activities related to the placement of markers on I-135, the main topic which must be examined is whether or not another memorial should be designated. Other work will build on the answer to this question.

Two public hearings are suggested in the flow chart. The first would be in conjunction with determining whether a memorial is needed. If the answer is "yes," the second proposed hearing would provide a forum to discuss what that memorial should be and how it should be funded.

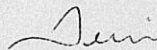
The creation of subcommittees may be desirable. For example, if determined that the Commission should proceed with the selection of a memorial, the Commission may wish to form subcommittees to look into the type of memorial, possible funding sources and dedication activities. On the other hand, because these topics are interrelated, subcommittees may not be workable.

At the June 6 meeting, during the agenda item on "brainstorming," the Commission should discuss possible information it may need to embark upon its tasks. For example, if a survey of other cities or information on City street naming policies is desired, that should be mentioned so that staff can proceed to collect data. Also, the Commission may wish to ask its members to gather information on current King commemorative activities.

The Commission may also want to list possible sources of information which should be considered to determine whether the community wants another memorial and what the community would prefer that memorial to be.

CONCLUSION

It is my hope that the Committee will be able to complete much of its work within three to four months. If it is determined that another memorial is needed, it will take time to prepare the memorial for dedication, assuming that the 1986 observance of Dr. King's birthday would be the day selected for the dedication.



Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

Attachments

cc: Ex officios McKinley, Lakin, Montgomery, Griffin Johnson, and Anderson

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RESOLUTION

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Robert C. Brown
Mayor

Approved as to form:

ATTEST:

Donald C. Gisick
City Clerk

John Dekker

John Dekker
City Attorney

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL COMMISSION

Membership

Appointed Members

Joe Boyd (Brown)

Skeets Winkler (Casado)

Alyce Christopher-Ballard (Knight)

Dr. Tom Ruby (Kamen)

Dr. John Gaston (Bell)

Maxine Hansen (Metropolitan Area Planning Commission)

Robert Cady (Traffic Commission)

Rev. Leslie White (Human Resources Board)

Dr. Othello Curry (Economic Development Commission)

Rev. D. D. Miller (Wichita Branch of the NAACP)

Ex Officio Members

Terri Haddock - Public Affairs Officer/Commission Staff

William McKinley, Traffic Engineer

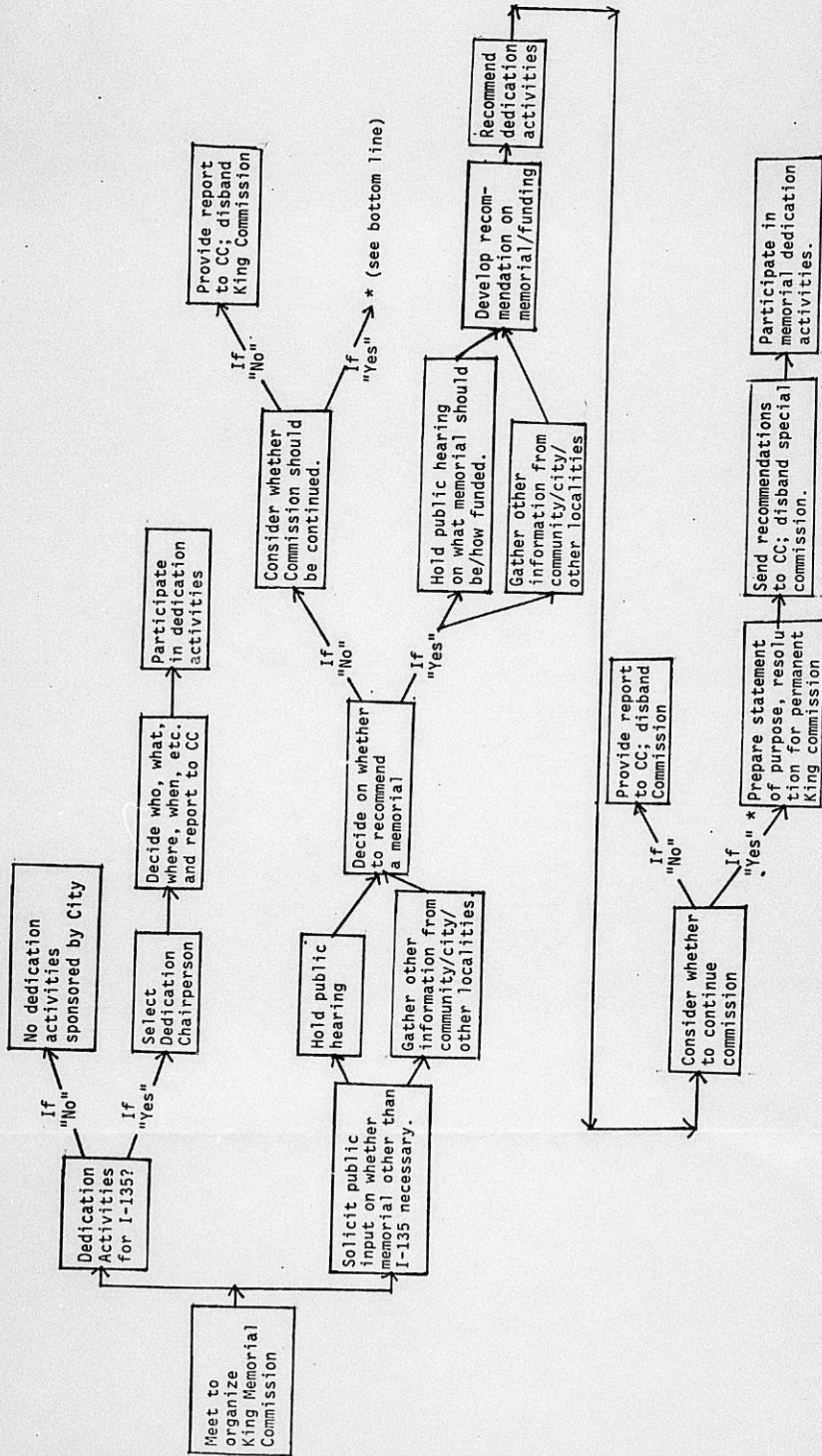
Robert Lakin, Planning Director

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MARTIN LUTHER KING MEMORIAL COMMISSION
Program Chart



CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DATE May 22, 1985

TO Distribution

FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

SUBJECT Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission

On May 21, 1985, the City Commission created the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission. Attached is the resolution establishing the special commission. Section 3 of the resolution sets out the commission's duties.

Appointments to the King Commission are to be made at the City Commission meeting of May 28. Letters have been sent to those nominated by the City boards represented on the Commission. Attached is a copy of the letter sent to your respective board member. Also attached is a draft of the memorandum related to the May 28 agenda item.

The Public Affairs Office will provide staff support for the special commission. You have been designated as an ex officio member of the commission. I will be contacting you within the next week to talk about the commission in more detail.

Because the King Commission may wish to initiate some type of dedication related to the installation of markers on Interstate 135 (the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Highway) and because the State hopes to install these signs as soon after July 1 as possible, it will be necessary to meet soon after appointments are made. For this reason, the first meeting will be held on June 5 or 6. Please let me know if you have a preference for either date as soon as possible.

The list of Commission members and an agenda will be mailed to you the middle of next week. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Terri S. Haddock

Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

Attachment

cc: Robert G. Finch, City Manager (Interim)
DISTRIBUTION:
Annie Montgomery, Citizen Rights and Services Director
Don E. Anderson, Director of Housing & Economic Development
Lorraine Griffin Johnson, Director of Human Resources
✓ Robert A. Lakin, Director of Planning
William G. McKinley, Traffic Engineer

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MAY 23 1985

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*Agreed to meet 15th Jun
7 mo @ 2 PM*

RESOLUTION

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Robert C. Brown
Mayor

Approved as to form:

ATTEST:

Donald C. Gisick
City Clerk

John Dekker

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THE CITY OF WICHITA

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE
CITY HALL — THIRTEENTH FLOOR
455 NORTH MAIN STREET
WICHITA, KANSAS 67202
(316) 268-4351

May 22, 1985

Maxine Hansen
300 South Morningside
Wichita, Kansas 67218

Dear Mrs. Hansen: *Maxine*

On May 21, 1985, the City Commission voted to establish the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission. Attached for your information is a copy of the resolution creating the special commission. Section 3 of the resolution sets forth the King Commission's duties and responsibilities.

Your name has been submitted by the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission as a nominee for appointment to the King Commission. Thank you for your willingness to serve on this important special committee.

On Tuesday, May 28, the Commission will make appointments to the King Commission. The Commission has been provided a list of the nominees from each organization to be represented on the commission.

It is anticipated that the first meeting of the commission will be held during the first week of June. Please let me know if you have a preference for either June 5 or June 6.

To introduce myself, . . . I am the Public Affairs Officer for the City and have been given the responsibility of staffing this special commission. I look forward to working with you in the months to come.

Agendas for the first meeting will be mailed early next week. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

TSH:jh
cc: Robert G. Finch, City Manager (Interim)
Robert Lakin, Director of Planning
Attachment

CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

DATE May 23, 1985

TO The Honorable Board of City Commissioners

FROM Robert G. Finch, City Manager (Interim)

SUBJECT Appointments to the Martin Luther
King Memorial Commission

On May 21, 1985, the City Commission adopted a resolution establishing the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission. The purpose of the commission is to: (1) solicit public input and develop recommendations on whether the City of Wichita should designate a memorial to Dr. King; (2) develop recommendations on an appropriate Wichita memorial, if the designation of a memorial seems necessary and appropriate; (3) plan ceremonial activities to dedicate a King memorial; and (4) develop recommendations as to whether the commission should be retained as a permanent City board to organize continuing memorial activities. For your information, a copy of the resolution creating the special commission has been attached.

The commission consists of ten (10) members appointed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the Board of City Commissioners. Five (5) appointees are to be from the community-at-large. The remaining five (5) are to be selected from a list of nominees from the following organizations (one appointee from each organization): The Metropolitan Area Planning Commission; the Traffic Commission; the Human Resources Board; the Economic Development Commission; and the Wichita Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

The following have been nominated for appointment to the King Commission by their respective organizations:

Maxine Hansen, Metropolitan Area Planning Commission
Robert Cady, the Traffic Commission
Rev. Leslie White, Human Resources Board
Dr. Othello Curry, Economic Development Commission
Rev. D. D. Miller, NAACP

On May 21, Mayor Brown and Vice Mayor Casado appointed Joe Boyd and Skeets Winkler, respectively, to the commission. Appointments for the remaining positions will be in order at the meeting of May 28.

Robert G. Finch
City Manager (Interim)

Attachment

cc: Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

RGF/h

WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY

February 25, 1985

METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT

TO: Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

FROM: Robert A. Lakin, Director of Planning

SUBJECT: DR 85-5 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

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The Metropolitan Area Planning Commission has designated Maxine Hansen as their representative on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission. Correspondence may be sent to her at 300 South Morningside, 67218. Her phone number is 682-0825.

Robert A. Lakin
Director of Planning

RAL:rme

cc: Robert G. Finch, Deputy City Manager
James C. Wilson, Chairman, Metropolitan Area
Planning Commission
Maxine Hansen, Planning Commissioner

WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY

February 15, 1985

METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT

TO: Metropolitan Area Planning Commission

FROM: Robert A. Lakin, Director of Planning

SUBJECT: DR 85-5 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission

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It is recommended that the MAPC select from its membership one person to sit on the memorial commission.

Robert A. Lakin
Director of Planning

RAL:rme

cc: Robert G. Finch, Deputy City Manager
Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

THE CITY OF WICHITA
OFFICE OF CITY MANAGER

DATE February 4, 1985

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METROPOLITAN PLANNING

FROM Robert G. Finch, Deputy City Manager

ROUTE

SUBJECT Martin Luther King, Jr.,
Memorial Commission

Attached is a memorandum regarding the creation of a Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Commission. The Commission is being established at the request of citizens who feel a permanent memorial to the late Dr. King should be designated in Wichita.

The original request from Reverend D.D. Miller of the Wichita Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was to designate 21st Street North as Martin Luther King Drive. While the Commission indicated its general support for some type of memorial, it was reluctant to change the name of the major thoroughfare.

It is recommended that the ten-member commission be comprised of five members from the community at large, one representative from the NAACP, and one representative from each of the following city boards -- the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, the Wichita Traffic Commission, the Human Resources Board and the Economic Development Commission.

Terri Haddock, Public Affairs Officer, has been assigned to staff the commission. In addition, the following have been designated as ex officio members -- the Director of Planning, the Traffic Engineer, the Director of Human Resources and the Director of Housing and Economic Development.

It will be Ms. Haddock's responsibility to initiate the first meeting. In preparation for commission appointments, you should contact the citizen board for which your office is responsible to obtain the name of a board representative. A follow-up memorandum will be sent to you following Tuesday's action on the Commission item (City Commission Agenda Item #1). It is anticipated that appointments will be in order at the meeting of February 19, 1985, however, the Commission may delay appointments until a new Commissioner is "on board."



Robert G. Finch
Deputy City Manager

RGF/hpd

Attachment

Distribution: Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer
Robert A. Lakin, Director of Planning
Bill McKinley, Traffic Engineer
Lorraine Griffin Johnson, Director of Human Resources
Don E. Anderson, Director of Housing/Economic Development

cc: David Stowe, Director of Operations and Maintenance

CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

DATE January 31, 1985

TO The Honorable Board of City Commissioners

FROM E. H. Denton, City Manager

SUBJECT Creation of Martin Luther King, Jr.
Memorial Commission

On January 15, 1985, the Board of City Commissioners voted to confirm its commitment to designate permanently a Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial in Wichita by January 15, 1986, the first national observance of Dr. King's birthday. The Commission also agreed to appoint a special commission to identify and develop a community consensus for the designation of an appropriate memorial to Dr. King. The special commission is to submit its recommendations to the Board of City Commissioners by July 1, 1985.

Attached is a proposed resolution establishing a ten-member "Martin Luther King Memorial Commission." The Law Department has approved the resolution as to form.

It is proposed that commission membership be comprised of representatives from the following

1. The community at-large (five members)
2. The Metropolitan Area Planning Commission
3. The Wichita Traffic Commission.
4. The Human Resources Board
5. The Economic Development Commission
6. The Wichita Branch of the National Association for the Advancement Colored People (NAACP)

Each City Commissioner would appoint an at-large commission member. The organizational representatives would be nominated by the organizations listed above. The composition of the above commission membership list has been proposed to provide broad-based representation of community interests.

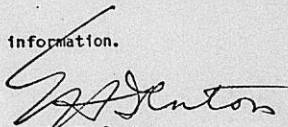
Staff support will be provided by the Public Affairs Officer, with the Director of Planning, the Director of Human Resources, the Traffic Engineer, and the Director of Housing and Economic Development designated as ex officio members. In the past, the Public Affairs Office has worked with citizen committees involved in designating the names of public facilities.

REFERENCE: ITEM #1 - CC
AGENDA FOR: FEB 5 1985

King Memorial Commission
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IT IS RECOMMENDED that the City Commission adopt the resolution establishing the Martin Luther King Memorial Commission and authorize the Mayor to sign. Appointments to the new commission are proposed for the meeting of February 19, 1985, which is the usual two-week notification. However, appointments can be delayed if so desired.

Please let me know if you need additional information.



E. H. Denton
City Manager

Attachment

cc: Terri S. Haddock, Acting Public Affairs Director
Robert Lakin, Director of Planning
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ADOPTED at Wichita, Kansas, by the governing body of the City of Wichita this ____ day of _____, 1985.

Robert G. Knight
Mayor

Approved as to form:

John Dekker

John Dekker
City Attorney

ATTEST:

Donald C. Gisick
City Clerk

CITY OF WICHITA

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DATE February 14, 1985

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FROM Terri S. Haddock, Public Affairs Officer

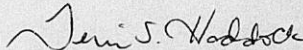
SUBJECT Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial
Commission

On Tuesday, February 5, the City Commission reviewed a proposed resolution establishing a Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission. Attached is a copy of a memorandum sent to you previously by Deputy City Manager Robert Finch regarding the King Commission.

The City Commission voted to postpone the appointment of Commission members until the two new Commissioners join the bench in April. The City Commission also directed staff to add the Director of the Citizens Rights and Services Office as an ex officio member of the King Commission.

While the King Commission will not be assembled until April, you should proceed with necessary steps to obtain a representative from the board or commission for which your office is responsible. In this way, the board/commission will have had an opportunity to discuss the matter before appointments are due. This will allow board/commission designees to be presented to the City Commission for as soon as final action is taken on the King Commission.

Please let me know if you have any questions.



Terri S. Haddock
Public Affairs Officer

TSH:jh

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY

February 15, 1985

METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT

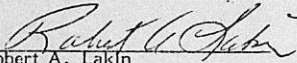
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