



# MINNESOTA TRUTH COUNCIL

## Work Session #1

July 15, 2026



# Welcome

# **Council to Document the Impacts of Operation Metro Surge and Operation PARRIS on Minnesotans**

## **Executive Order**

### **Established**

Council created by executive order to document the truth of Operation Metro Surge and Operation PARRIS

### **Membership**

15-member council with appointed leadership and public representation

### **Engagement**

Share a story, organize a space, view public meetings

### **Deliverables**

Four public meetings  
Preliminary findings — Oct. 31  
Final report — Dec. 1

# Council's Scope of Work (slide 1 of 2)

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  - Review the venue, structure, and timing of each of the public meetings [[executive order 26-05, #6](#)].
  - Prepare for public presentations, including determining who will share their stories during public meetings, and solicit information through public forums, personal testimony, publicly available video, and any other means [[executive order 26-05, #4](#)].

# Council's Scope of Work (slide 2 of 2)

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- 2. Establish an accurate and authoritative public record** of the harms, experiences, and impacts of Operation Metro Surge and Operation PARRIS.
  - Direct AHR to collect stories, data, testimony, and other relevant information on the selected topics [[executive order 26-05, #6](#)].
  - Request additional data and information from state agencies as needed [[executive order 26-05, #7](#)].
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- 3. Create a final report of findings and provide recommendations** to prevent recurrence of human and civil rights violations [[executive order 26-05, #3](#)].

# Recognition of Shared Humanity

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Respect

Fairness

Integrity

Empathy

Honesty

Listening

## 1. Experiences are seen and heard

*"The communities that were most impacted have their voices and experiences heard."*

*"I want people to feel like someone saw them and heard them."*

*"People that suffered feel validated."*

*"I was not invisible."*

## 3. Actionable

*"The recommendations were actionable."*

*"People need tools to respond to the report. How do we help people come back to self-determination and agency? The report must be accessible to the public."*

## 2. Accuracy

*"The general feedback is that we got the story right."*

*"In the time we are given, we tell as much of the story as we can."*

*"People were impacted in many different ways. This is an opportunity to acknowledge this and to hear people's experiences. Stay away from the oppression Olympics."*

## 4. Legacy

*"Future generations are provided a historical context for what happened and see this process as a steppingstone to a better society."*

*"Something that empowers future generations. This moment marked an important change."*

*"In 100 years from now, I want people to look at the Council's work as a time to record and heal."*



**Success**

# Message to Observers

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- **Thank you** for your interest in this important work!
- Council follows **Open Meeting Laws**, meaning all meetings are open to the public.
- Observers will not be allowed to comment during Council work sessions or public meetings.
- Opportunities to **participate**
  - Share your story
  - Organize a space to help others share stories
  - For more information, email [MNTruthCouncil@advrights.org](mailto:MNTruthCouncil@advrights.org)



# Message to observers who are joining us in person

- Display or distribution of materials by members of the public in the meeting room is not allowable.
- Refrain from *any* behavior that disrupts the orderly conduct of the Council's work. Disruptive behavior will be grounds for removal from the meeting. Inappropriate comments or behavior **will not** be tolerated. Inappropriate behavior is defined as insults, obscenities or profanity, attacks against any person in their personal capacity, and/or physical violence or threat thereof.
- If you wish to engage members in conversations before or after meetings or during meeting breaks, first ask if they have the time. Their conversations with other members must always take precedence.

If you have any logistical concerns such as access to meeting materials or ability to hear, connect with the meeting coordinators; Stephanie Heim, Stacy Sjogren, or Alexis Roehrich.

# Introductions

In **one breath (30 seconds or less)**, please share:

1. Your name, and
2. A few key words that reflect the **perspective(s)** you bring to the Council.
3. How you will know the Council's work was **successful** (*only for members not present at the Orientation*).

# Agenda

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- › Welcome
- › Agreements for working together
- › Review and finalize Council Charter
- › Data Collection presentations
- › Public Meeting structure discussion

## Logistical announcements:

- Mic etiquette
- Remote members
- Data practices
- Specialized training opportunities

# Agreements for Working Together



# Agreements for Working Together, continued

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## Process:

- **Think (2 min):** Individually, take a moment of quiet to refresh your memory on the agreements listed in the charter (page 4) and to consider the questions.
- **Pair or Trio (8 min):** Share what feels right.
- **Share (5 min):** Each pair (or trio) shares their ideas with the full group. *[Presenter is person with the first name earliest in the alphabet]*

## Questions to prompt reflection and discussion:

Identify one (or two) agreements and consider how Council members can embrace the agreement in practice.

1. What behaviors align with the agreement?
2. How can Council members “walk our talk”?

# Council Charter



# Charter: Review Revisions (slide 1 of 3)

- There was strong support for the May 28, 2026, draft of the charter.
- At Orientation, we discussed three revisions that were made to the June 17, 2026, draft based on input:

| Section of charter                                                                    | Revision                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Operating procedures, Section 4: Group agreements (page 4)                            | Addition of “Make space, take space.” Council members desire balanced participation among all, not a select few dominant voices.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Operating procedures, Section 6: Process to end discussion and reach closure (page 5) | Delete reference to the State of Minnesota’s Code of Ethical Conduct HR/LR Policy #1445. Council members are not executive branch employees.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Operating procedures, Section 6: Process to end discussion and reach closure (page 5) | Addition of “There is no expectation the Council will achieve 100% consensus. Diverse opinions and disagreements are expected. Individual Council members with differing views will be responsible for articulating their position and providing necessary rationale and background for the collective benefit of all Council members.” Council members are committed to working toward consensus and understand 100% agreement is unlikely. |

# Charter: Review Revisions (slide 2 of 3)

Five additional revisions were made based on input received after the orientation.

| Section of charter                            | Revision                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Purpose (page 2)                              | Addition of sentence from EO to reflect Council’s work as part of broader processes. “This record can help serve as a step towards the state’s long-term recovery.”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Scope of Work (Note, page 3)                  | Framing of Council’s work as part of broader processes, including implementation of legal and constitutional processes, and clearly stating what is not in the Council’s scope of work. Moved first two sentences from section 6 to consolidate differentiation of Council’s work from legal processes. “ <b>Note:</b> The Council’s work is part of broader processes, including the implementation of legal and constitutional processes. The Council will not function as a court and has no power to prosecute, convict, or impose penalties. Its findings will be distinct from and without prejudice to any ongoing or future legal proceedings. “ |
| Operating procedures, Opening phrase (page 3) | Addition of gender lens to the Council’s work: “and actively incorporate a gender perspective to address violations specifically impacting women, girls, and diverse gender identities”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

# Charter: Review Revisions (slide 3 of 3)

Five additional revisions were made based on input received after the orientation.

| Section of charter                                            | Revision                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Operating procedures, Section 7: Conflict resolution (page 5) | Addition of language about conflict resolution process in first sentence. “Council members and staff commit to navigating conflict internally with intention and a problem-solving mindset, using a fair, transparent, and open process.” |
| Responsibilities, Section 1: Council members (page 6)         | Refined and added clarity to Council member responsibilities including format, topic, and speaker selection for the Public Meetings and contributions to the report.                                                                      |

# Charter questions

Does anyone have any clarifying questions?

Does anyone see any major or minor issues they feel need to be resolved now before the Council adopts the Charter?

# Data Collection Presentations



# Council's Scope of Work

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## As you listen, please consider...

1. What do you appreciate?
2. What priority topics need more data gathering?
3. What audiences does the Council need to reach out to for additional story collection and/or research?



# The Advocates for Human Rights

## Story Collection:

- 250+ story collectors trained
- 200+ partner organizations engaged
- 100+ stories collected or scheduled to date

 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

COLLEGE of LIBERAL ARTS  
**Immigration History Research Center**

Graduate People Research & Engagement Fellowships & Scholarships Immigrant Stories

### IHRC and HRP Collecting Stories for the Minnesota Truth Council

Share your story of Operation Metro Surge

July 2, 2026



*The Whipple Building*

Staff at the Immigration History Research Center and the Human Rights Program have been trained as story collectors for the [MN Truth Council](#). The Truth Council, formally known as the "Governor's Council on Recording the Truth of Operation Metro Surge and Operation PARRIS" is an independent, non-partisan body that will create a historical record of survivor and witness experiences and produce a report with recommendations for legislative and policy reform.

# The Advocates for Human Rights - 1

- Events for story collection:
  - "Truth Council Community-Led Hearing in Rochester"
  - "May Day 2026- Launch of Days of Truth and Freedom Training"
  - More to come...
- Locations for story collection:
  - Minneapolis / Saint Paul
  - Rochester
  - Willmar
  - Winona
  - More to come...



**This is a historic moment for our communities, and we are inviting you to step into it with us.**

UNIDOS MN, in partnership with The Advocates for Human Rights and ISAIAH, is building a people-powered effort to document the truth of what Minnesotans have lived through during recent federal operations. Through this training, you'll learn how to safely and responsibly collect stories that will be preserved for history, with the option to share them with the Minnesota Truth Council to help shape what comes next.

There is power in capturing these stories now, while they are fresh, and in doing it together with care, consent, and clarity about how they will be used. Join us in making sure our communities are seen, heard, and remembered.

The training will take place at Mercado Central from 1pm - 3pm. Register below to receive more information.

## Truth Council Community-Led Hearing in Rochester

### SCHEDULE

Tue Jul 14 2026 at 06:00 pm to 08:00 pm  
UTC-05:00

### LOCATION

Century High School - Rochester, MN |  
Rochester, MN

## MN Truth Council A Community-Led Hearing

**Tues. July 14**  
**6-8 PM**  
Century H.S.  
Rochester



# The Advocates for Human Rights - 2

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## Patterns Emerging:

- Widespread interest in the Truth Council process
- Many people are involved in the response to Metro Surge in multiple ways, e.g. protestors involved in mutual aid, nurses shifting to home health care provide mutual aid and coordinate rental assistance
- Great amount of fear in all parts of the community, resulting in most people giving their stories anonymously
- Trauma is widespread (teachers, doctors, community activists)



**MINNESOTA  
TRUTH COUNCIL**

## Initial Data Framework Overview

July 15 | Truth Council Quantitative Data Team

# Data collection update

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- › Quantitative Data Team: Scope
- › Overview of Data Framework: “The Three Buckets” and Themes
- › Methodology Note: How it varies and how we’ll approach data quality
- › Data sample: What state agencies have submitted to date...

## Quantitative Data Team purpose and goals

Supply the Minnesota Truth Council with compelling quantitative data and analysis that documents the impact of federal immigration operations, Metro Surge and PARRIS.

The data will be collected from state agencies, then analyzed and provided to the council upon request.



# Quantitative Data Team Role and Partnerships

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## Role

We will provide the council with compelling and accurate data by:

- Developing a data framework;
- Sourcing data from state agencies;
- Identifying meaningful patterns;
- Conducting limited research;
- Providing insights that inform council recommendations.

## Partnerships

**The Council:** Council guidance and recommendations informs data framework and collection

**The Advocates:** Qualitative data matches to and informs quantitative data approach

**State agencies:** Experts identify and analyze data

# Principles

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Data has accuracy  
and integrity



Safe and secure data



Lift up and respect  
New Americans



Collaboration

# Research Insights

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Use qualitative data  
to inform approach



Consider long-term  
tracking of impacts



Be clear on approach  
to sourcing data

# Future discussions



State demographics



Narrative research

# Data Collection Process & Methodology

**Goal:** Make the data useful without overstating what it can tell us.

| Collect                                                                                                                                      | Organize                                                                                                          | Review                                                                                                                                               | Use                                                                                                                                        |
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| Source from agency administrative data and trusted partner/ community sources.<br><br><i>Status: Underway with requests out to agencies.</i> | Theme data based on impact & scope.<br><br><i>Status: Preliminary framework developed to guide data requests.</i> | Assess source, geography time-period, comparison points, limitations, sensitivity, etc.*<br><br><i>Status: Underway with early data submissions.</i> | Show scale, patterns, gaps, themes, and areas for follow-up or future requests<br><br><i>Status: Not yet underway – late summer focus.</i> |

**\*Methodology note:** Data methodologies will vary across sources.  
We will flag relevant data collection context and data quality considerations.

# Data Framework: 3 Buckets

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## Direct, Immediate Impacts

Impacts closest to the enforcement activity itself or felt quickly by individuals, families, or institutions.

2

## Indirect, Ripple Impacts

Secondary effects that show up across systems, services, businesses, or communities over time.

3

## Individual, Community & Institutional Responses

Actions people, organizations and institutions take to respond, adapt, provide support, or reduce harm.

# Data Framework: Initial Brainstorm Snapshot



# Data Framework: Themes & Data Sample

## **Data Collection Status Note**

Early data is concentrated in Bucket 2, but overall data remains thin across the board given early stage of data collection.

# Direct, Immediate Impacts

## Theme Sample

- Detainments
- Human & civil rights violations
- Use of chemical munitions

## Data Sample

- 126 protest-related emergency department visits (MDH).
- Crowd-sourced data and mapping of Metro Surge activity (e.g. chemical agents deployed, gun drawn, less lethal weapons deployed, etc.)



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# Indirect, Ripple Impacts

## Theme Sample

- Economic/business impacts
- Healthcare
- Childcare, schools, higher education
- Rent

## Data Sample

- 50% revenue loss for 2/3 of Latino Economic Development Center emergency grant program applicants.
- \$27.4M-51.3M in excess rent debt linked to immigration enforcement (UMN CURA)



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# Individual, Community & Institutional Responses

## Theme Sample

- Help lines
- On-the-ground support
- Protests
- Policy outcomes

## Data Sample

- Total number of calls to MDE's Community Support Line showing an approx. increase of 615% from December to January
- 2,095 new HOME line contacts in January (busiest month ever)
- 1,042 food requests to Twin Cities United Way (week of 1/12/26), up from 2025 baseline of 351.



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# Requests

## **Input on Framework & Metrics**

We would appreciate some deep-dive conversations with interested Council Members to review our data framework and metrics. (Connect with Alexis)

## **Priority Topics**

Council input on key topics for data collection and public meetings will help us prioritize data requests to agencies.

# Reflection on Data Collection to Date

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## Process:

- **Think (~8 min):** Individually, use the sticky notes to write down your ideas to each question. (One thought/per note)

Next, place your sticky notes on the flip chart paper and **take a break.**

- **Large group report out (10 min):** Support team shares their observations and engages the full Council in discussion to check understanding. (after break)

## Questions to prompt reflection:

1. What do you appreciate?
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**Take a break.  
Back by 3:30.**



Data  
collection  
share out and  
discussion



# Public Meeting Structure



# Council's Scope of Work, continued

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“Minnesotans know what happened in their communities, but too many stories have yet to be heard, documented, and shared.”

- *Governor Tim Walz*



Purpose: Building a Public Record

# What We Heard at Orientation

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- Desire to know the **arc of each public meeting** so you can better inform the planning process and can inform your networks.
- Public meetings should incorporate **trauma informed practices**.
- Public meetings should be **accessible**, ensuring language access and options for remote participation.
- **Speakers should receive supports** and be provided sufficient information about potential risks.
- Public meetings should illustrate **impacts on the entire ecosystem**, including workers.
- Public meetings may be surrounded by **ancillary activities led by external partners**.

# Public Meeting Structure: Framework (Part 1 discussion)

**Purpose:** To offer a clear and consistent framework for how public meetings are structured and conducted.

- Public meetings are transparent, accessible, and trauma-informed.
- Public meetings are grounded in principles of independence, impartiality, and victim-centered inquiry.

# Public Meeting Framework

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- This framework is **not** designed to prescribe a single rigid structure for every meeting.
- The framework **sets shared procedural standards** while allowing flexibility in format.
- The framework includes **three parts**:
  - Format
  - Topics
  - Speakers

# Public Meeting Framework: Core Elements

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- **Call to order and overview:**  
Explanation of purpose and role of Council, including an explanation of the role of members during the public meetings.
- **Public Meeting Theme**, plus 2-3 topics
- **Expert presentations:**
  - Academic or subject-matter expert(s)
  - Minnesota State Agency Data
  - Story Collection Data
- **Public Testimony**
  - Personal story
  - Panel of story tellers
  - Organization or business testimony
  - Presentation of exhibits, photographs, or video
  - Written statements
- **Adjournment**

# Public Meeting Framework: Supporting Services

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- Leadership and facilitation
- Operations, logistics, and documentation
- Supports for expert presenters and witnesses
- Safety and security
- Accessibility and language access
- Communications and media engagement

## **Tool #1: Topic Selection Rubric**

Nine draft criteria (page 2)

## **Tool #2: Public Meeting Series Topic Balance Checklist**

Eight draft dimensions (page 3)

# Public Meeting Structure: Tools to Guide Topic Selection

# Public Meeting Structure: Guiding Principles for Speaker Selection

Victim-centered

Completeness of the record

Balance of perspectives

Representation and inclusion

Credibility and relevance

Safety and support considerations

# Public Meeting Structure Part 1 discussion: Framework

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## Process:

- **Think** (~2-3 min): Individually and quietly, reflect on each of the questions.
- **Pair or trio** (<10 min): Document at least three key ideas that emerge from your conversation. One idea/sticky note.
- **Share** (<10 min): Large group reflection. What is **one thing** the full group needs to hear?

## Questions to prompt reflection and discussion:

- What questions or suggestions for improvement do you have related to the draft framework?
- What criteria, dimensions, and/or guiding principles are missing or need the most work?
- What ideas do you have to make the draft framework more useful for the Council?

# Public Meeting Structure: Arc (Part 2 discussion)



**From Part 1**  
discussion



**To Part 2**  
discussion

# Public Meeting Structure: Meeting arc (Part 2 discussion)

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1

**Direct Harm:** The Human Cost of Enforcement Actions

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**Indirect Harm:** The Ripple Effects on Families and Communities

3

**Resilience:** Communities Respond with Support and Solidarity

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**National Impact:** A Window into Systemic Failures Nationwide

# Meeting #1: The Human Cost of Enforcement Actions (Direct Harm)

**Focus:** Direct harm caused by arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement actions not designed to achieve a legal policy outcome.

- Assault and Use of Excessive Force
- Arrests/entering home without judicial or administrative warrant\*
- Collateral arrests (targeting one individual but arresting others in home, etc.)\*
- Arbitrary detention and detention conditions, including at the Whipple Federal Building
- Racial profiling and national origin discrimination
- Interference with peaceful protests
- Interference with journalists
- Targeting people based on their sex, sexual orientation, and/or gender identity\*
- Less lethal weapons: Use of Chemical Munitions
- Operation PARRIS\*

\*Indicates underreported topic

# Meeting #2: The Ripple Effects Beyond Those Directly Targeted (Indirect Harm)

**Focus:** Indirect consequences of enforcement not designed to achieve a legal policy outcome.

- Sheltering in Place\*
- Education Impacts: Children out of school, impacts on higher education
- Health Impacts: Missed medical appointments, avoided urgent/hospital care
- Economic Impacts
- Housing
- Food insecurity
- Public trauma

\*Indicates underreported topic

# Meeting #3: Communities Respond with Support and Solidarity (Resilience)

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## **Focus:** Response of the Community\*

- Constitutional Observers
- Mutual Aid Networks
- Legal Aid
- Arts/Cultural Activism
- School Community Support

\*Indicates underreported topic

# Meeting #4: A Window into Systemic Failures Nationwide

## Focus: Systemic Problems Illuminated by the Operations (National Impact)

- Failure to follow legal procedures, e.g., judicial warrants, access to counsel, training issues of ICE agents
- Detention Conditions, including \*conditions of transfer and \*conditions of release
- Misinformation created by the federal government:
  - Fictional narrative designed to fuel fear and animosity in the public
  - Personal attacks against individuals
  - Distortion of process for individuals released from custody to ICE
- Enforcement in Protected Areas\*
- Failure to comply with judicial orders
- Public Safety: Lack of respect for needs of local law enforcement
- Immigration Court
  - Lack of resources
  - Lack of Independence (DOJ pressure and policies)
- Voluntary Departures\*
- Surveillance/Non-Immigration Enforcement Activities

\*Indicates underreported topic

# Public Meeting Structure Part 2 discussion: Meeting arc

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## Instructions:

- ~10 min – Members individually move about the room to share ideas and questions for each meeting. (One idea/sticky note)
- Members self-select which meeting theme interests them most to discuss and plan more deeply with others.
- ~20 min – Small group planning
- ~8 min – Large group report out (*Select a member to report out*)

## Questions to prompt individual reflection for each meeting:

- Of the draft list of topics, what's most important to prioritize?
- What additional topics would you like to offer?
- Who may be positioned to speak on the most important topics?
- What additional ideas or questions would you like to share to make progress in planning?

# Small group discussion and planning

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## Instructions:

1. Review the individual sticky notes for themes or patterns.
2. Each person in the small group shares their “why” for selecting this meeting theme/focus area to plan.
3. Use the draft criteria, dimensions, and guiding principles in the framework (pages 2-4) and these questions to guide discussion and document your group’s ideas.

## Questions to guide conversation:

- Start with the end in mind. Imagine someone is reading this record a 100 years from now, what do you hope they will understand?
- If we can only cover three topics, which would create the greatest impact and public understanding?
- Whose experiences are essential to understanding this topic?
- What additional ideas or questions would you like to share to make progress in planning?

# Optional Meeting Template

| Time   | Activity                      | Topic | Speakers | Notes/Council member interest |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------------------|
| 10 min | Call to Order                 |       |          |                               |
| 10 min | Overview of Meeting           |       |          |                               |
| 20 min | Topic #1: Expert presentation |       |          |                               |
| 30 min | Topic #1: Public testimony    |       |          |                               |
| 10 min | Break                         |       |          |                               |
| 15 min | Topic #2: Expert presentation |       |          |                               |
| 30 min | Topic #2: Public testimony    |       |          |                               |
| 10 min | Break                         |       |          |                               |
| 15 min | Topic #3: Expert presentation |       |          |                               |
| 10 min | Topic #3: Public Testimony    |       |          |                               |
| 10 min | Adjournment                   |       |          |                               |

# Review and Next Steps



# Agenda Recap

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- › Welcome
- › Agreements for working together
- › Review and finalize Council Charter
- › Data Collection presentations
- › Public Meeting structure discussion

# Next steps

## Administrative action items

1. When possible, adjust personal schedules to prioritize in person participation at meetings.
2. Complete training modules on open meeting law, data practices, and legal and ethical considerations
3. Set up electronic folders to organize your Council materials

## General action items:

1. **Public meeting planning:** Provide additional expertise and support if interest and time allows. Contact Vice Chair, Jennifer Prestholdt at [jprestholdt@advrights.org](mailto:jprestholdt@advrights.org) or Alexis Roehrich at [alexis.roehrich@state.mn.us](mailto:alexis.roehrich@state.mn.us).
2. **Story Collection:** Act as a bridge and conduit to impacted communities, guiding those interested in providing their stories to [The Advocates for Human Rights](#) for collection on website or [MNTruthCouncil@advrights.org](mailto:MNTruthCouncil@advrights.org).
3. **Testimony:** Offer suggestions and make necessary connections to people who may provide personal stories during public meetings to Vice Chair, Jennifer Prestholdt at [jprestholdt@advrights.org](mailto:jprestholdt@advrights.org).

# July 30: Council Work Session #2

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**Date:** Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 2:00 – 5:00 PM

**Building:** Elmer L. Anderson  
Building, 2nd Floor, Room  
C2370

**Address:** 540 Cedar Street, St.  
Paul MN 55101

## **Agenda outline:**

- Confirm plans for each public meeting
- Discuss scope of final report
- Review approach to recommendations