

# WILLIE J. LIGHTFOOT CITY COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT



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## "Lets Get Real" National Day Of Racial Healing

On January 21,2020 Mayor Lovely A. Warren and the Rochester City Council commemorated the progress made on the City's historic project "Let's Get REAL: Race, Equity and Leadership." This is an initiative supported by the National League of Cities. The REAL Project was launched last year as part of the City's inaugural celebration of National Day of Racial Healing, and provides direction to the City of Rochester and other participating municipalities aiming to improve equity. The City's REAL Core team spent the past year providing a series of intense workshops, seminars and training sessions for change team members across City departments. Participants engaged in open and honest discussions about race. As part of this work, the Core team surveyed nearly 400 employees on their understanding of race, racial equity, diversity and inclusion.

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### **Youth Indoor Training Facilities**

The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation has awarded a grant of \$460,000 to upgrade and repurpose the city-owned stadium at 460 Oak Street. The stadium will be used as a youth sports training facility and sports complex. The Rochester Community Sports Complex will transform the former soccer stadium to be available for sporting and community events. In addition, the City will renovate the adjacent 25,000 square-foot building as an indoor training facility — the first in Rochester. Plans envision the facility will be used by Rochester City School District athletic teams, community sports teams and clubs, community health and fitness professionals, and city residents.





#### **Police Accountability**

On January 15th 2020, Rochester City Council submitted legislation to appoint the membership of the Police Accountability Board (PAB) in accordance with Local Law 2019-2 that the Council passed unanimously in May 2019 and was affirmed through the Referendum Vote on Election Day, November 5, 2019. The Council recently passed legislation that named the inaugural membership of the PAB, the members are:





#### PAB Seat Name

Council East Dr. Robinson Harrison III

Council Ida Perez

Northeast

Council Rabbi Droah Setel

Northwest

Council South Rev. Matthew Nickoloff

PABA Seat 1 Jonathan Dollhopf

PABA Seat 2 Miquel Powell

PABA Seat 3 Shani Wilson

PABA Seat 4 Dr. Celia McIntosh

Mayoral Rev. Dr. Rickey B. Harvey

# Business Highlight People's Choice Kitchen



Peoples Choice Kitchen is located on 575 Brooks Ave owned by Evangela Stanley. March 1st 2020 will be its 19th year of business. People's Choice is known for Jamaican and soul food, with jerk chicken, curry stews and other favorites on the menu. Meals will come with a choice of meat, a vegetable and rice or macaroni and cheese Phone Number: 585-464-8790