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Community Meeting on Nov. 5 for Proposed Multicultural Family Center Name Change

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Dubuque’s Multicultural Family Center (MFC) invites the community to attend a public meeting to discuss the proposal to change the facility’s name to the Ruby Sutton Multicultural Family Center.

The meeting will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Multicultural Family Center, 1157 Central Ave. Members of the MFC board of directors and MFC staff will facilitate the discussion and gather input.

The Dubuque City Council received a proposal from the Dubuque chapter of the NAACP to change the name and tabled the matter at their Sept. 21, 2015 meeting, to allow time for MFC stakeholders to be consulted about the proposed change. Conversations have been held with the NAACP, the Dubuque Black Men’s Coalition, the League of United Latin American Citizens, a representative of Dubuque’s Marshallese community, representatives of Dubuque’s LGBT+ community, MFC board members and staff, and the Sutton family. The Nov. 5 meeting is the general public’s opportunity to offer input regarding the proposal.

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