The initial list of invites included the following:

Black Businesses
Dr. Drena Valentine - Montgomery County Black Collective
Michael Brooks - Workdev Solutions
Troy Poole - The Poole Law Firm
Nonye & Dana Onyewu - Core Concepts & Violeta Sweets

Youth Programs
Joe Hooks - 480 Club
Julian McElveen & Walter Moyer - Unity Thunder
Bo & Charisse Scott - Comunibuild
Darius Perry - Ball 2 Life
Agbegnigan Amouzou - Elite Youth Soccer Academy

Nonprofit Organizations
Nahom Tekle - The Business Academy
Hermela Kebede & Roza Beyene - Ethiopian Community Center
Juve Lima - African Diaspora United for Development
Dunrick Sogie-Thomas - EduCare Support Services
Christopher Page - Conflict Resolution Center
Isaac Cudjoe - Brothers with Books

Nonprofit-Government Kim Joes - The Nonprofit Village Elijah Wheeler - Collaboration Council Molline Jackson - Planning Doug Hollis - MCPS

Councilmember Jawando also asked that Carolyn invite Linda Plummer at NAACP, along with a representative from the Black Ministers Conference and Angela Graham.