



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes - Final

Human Rights Commission

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Wednesday, July 10, 2024

7:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St,
Basement, conference room

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CALL TO ORDER

J. Garber called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Linda Winkler, Pamela Meadows, Keta Jeon Cowan, Judah Garber, Brandon Bond, Ayesha Ghazi Edwin, Vanesa Hernandez-Jackson, and Chris Watson

Absent 1 - Chair Leslie Krauz Stambaugh

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per speaker)

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Winkler, seconded by Bond that the agenda be Approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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A motion was made by Meadows seconded by Winkler, that the Minutes be Approved with changes by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 07/15/2024. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

INTERNAL BUSINESS

Follow Up on Outside Group Work

City Council Updates: CM Ghazi-Edwin reported that the City of Ann Arbor is working on an ordinance protecting the right to sit for employees during their work hours. Current ideas and input are in legal review. More information and details to come. CM Ghazi-Edwin shared that there have been discussions regarding gender-neutral bathrooms and ways to protect gender affirming care and reproductive health. The City Attorney's Office is working on a resolution to increase the accessibility of gender neutral bathrooms. More information and details to come. CM Ghazi-Edwin shared that the Ann Arbor Housing Commission is working to create an affordable housing list for the City of Ann Arbor. More information and details to come. CM Chris Watson shared that City Council passed a resolution to begin the process for reparations. More information and details to come. The reallocation of unarmed response funds and next steps on unarmed response were also discussed.

Facial recognition: CM Ghazi-Edwin reported that a facial recognition resolution has been passed by City Council.

Follow Up on Ongoing HRC Work

Complaints: J. Garber reported the commission has three outstanding complaints in progress. There are currently no new complaints.

HRC Strategic Planning Effort: B. Bond updated the commission on the Strategic Planning Outline including priority areas. B. Bond is finalizing the strategic plan outline. More information and details to come. Commissioners shared their thoughts and feedback on the strategic planning outline. Commissioners also discussed scheduling a date and location for the strategic planning meeting. More information and details to come.

OLD BUSINESS

Juneteenth Celebration: Commissioners discussed the Juneteenth Celebration event and shared their thoughts and feedback on the event.

NEW BUSINESS

Michigan Civil Rights Commission: The commission discussed the Michigan Civil Rights Commission. The civil rights commission met in Kalamazoo and passed four new state resolutions. Commissioners will

take them into account during strategic planning.

Voting Effort: V. Jackson discussed ideas with the commission to work with community elders to assist in getting younger community members out to vote. Commissioners shared their thoughts and feedback on ideas to assist. More information and details to come.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Cowan moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bond. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

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