

CITY OF ANN ARBOR

Human Rights Commission

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Date: August 8, 2012

Time In: 7:02 PM

- Time Out: 8:50 PM
- Location: Council Workroom

Committee Members Present:

⊠ Leslie Stambaugh, Chair

Linda Winkler

Victor Turner

Eleanore Adenekan

Councilmember Sandi Smith

Commission Members Absent:

Mohamad Issa

Neal Elyakin

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Also Present Were:

Matt Bender, HRC Intern

Zarinah El-Amin Naeem, Race Project

I – Call to Order

Chairperson Leslie Stambaugh called the meeting to order and Amy Seavitt recorded the minutes for members' information. A quorum of **Commission** members was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

II – Opening

- > Roll call for the meetings' minutes
- Public comments None

III – Matters Discussed – Old Business

- Race Project Zarinah El-Amin Naeem spoke to the Commission about the Race Project and the upcoming exhibit in Ann Arbor. It will focus on three main components of race, looking at it historically within the United States, scientifically and genetically, and society's everyday experience. More information can be found at www.understandingrace.org. Zarinah offered to share the themes of the issues that were raised in the project's dialogue sessions and ideas about what the community would like to see. A few of these were discussed.
- Approval of the August Agenda L. Winkler moved to approve the current agenda, seconded by E. Adenekan. Motion carries.
- Approval of the July Meeting Minutes E. Adenekan motioned, seconded by V. Turner, that the Meeting Minutes be approved as amended by correcting sections III. Old Business, IV. New Business and V. Agenda Building for Next Meeting. Motion carries.
- The Video Privacy Ordinance Proposal Chairperson Stambaugh recapped William Leaf's letter addressed to the Service Area Administrator, Sumedh Bahl. The letter included a revised copy of the ordinance with a section that provided for the installation of temporary cameras.
- Debrief of the July 12 Hearing on Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity – The Commission discussed the turnout of the July 12 public hearing held with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.
- Non-Discrimination Ordinance and Training Intern Matthew Bender highlighted his research from a report he created for the Commission, which included a list of classifications that are currently protected elsewhere that are not included in the Ann Arbor Ordinance. The Commission requested the subcommittee looking at the ordinance explore Bender's report more carefully and report back to the Commission.
- Bullying Incident Update The Commission reviewed the bullying incident that had occurred at a local public school.

IV – Matters Discussed – New Business

V – Agenda Building for Next Meeting

VII – Adjournment – at 8:50 PM, L. Winkler motioned to adjourn the meeting. V. Turner seconded it. Meeting adjourned.