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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

7:00 PM

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Human Rights Commission

CALL TO ORDER

L. Stambaugh called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 11 - Chair Leslie Krauz Stambaugh, Linda Winkler, Pamela Dent (Meadows), Travis Radina, Dilip Das, Keta Jeon Cowan, Ayesha Ghazi, Elizabeth Nelson, Judah Garber, Diana Cass, and Aidan Sova

PUBLIC COMMENT

Detroit Disability Power Marjorie Herbert Jeffrey Nolish Pam McGuinty

A APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as presented

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Naomi Goldberg, LGBTQ Liaison to the Mayor

Naomi Goldberg, LGBTQ Liaison to the Mayor and Deputy Director and LGBTQ Program Director at the Movement Advancement Project discussed her background and goals as liaison.

Rise in Anti-Asian Activity and Hate Activity

A. Ghazi updated the commission on the hate crimes against AAPI people in Michigan. A. Ghazi asked that the HRC collaborate with other groups on a resolution to condemn hate in our community.

Facial Recognition

CM T. Radina discussed organizing a joint ICPOC - HRC subcommittee to work on banning the use of facial recognition software in Ann Arbor. Commissioners A. Sova and D. Das will represent the HRC on this subcommittee.

B APPROVAL OF MINUTES

21-0521 HRC February Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by D. Cass, seconded by D. Das, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 4/12/2021. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

C OLD BUSINESS

Fair Chance Access to Housing Ordinance

L. Stambaugh discussed the proposed Fair Chance Access to Housing Ordinance that is before City Council. Senior Assistant City Attorney Margaret Radabaugh is working with HRC members to draft some additional new language to submit to Council before its next meeting.

Conversion Therapy Ordinance and Resolution

L. Stambaugh discussed the current draft of the proposed ordinance prohibiting the use of conversion therapy on minors in the City of Ann Arbor. The commissioners approved the ordinance as drafted to send to City Council. CM T. Radina suggested, and the HRC agreed, to send legal questions about expanding jurisdiction of the ordinance to Senior Assistant City Attorney Margaret Radabaugh.

Resolution: The commission agreed to incorporate the title of the ordinance in the resolution written by D. Cass and K. Cowan. The commission voted to adopt the resolution, as amended.

D NEW BUSINESS

Housing Practices: Should landlords be able to require contract renewal after only 70 days?

CM E. Nelson discussed extending the time when landlords may seek potential renters for the next year from the current 70 days after leases have started to possibly 240 days. This extension would especially help low income students. The commissioners voted to support such an

extension by Council.

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

A. Ghazi announced the Human Rights Commission Project was nominated for Provost Innovation Award and asked L. Stambaugh for a letter of support on behalf of the commission.

E ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner K. Cowan moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chair J. Garber. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

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