



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes - Draft

Human Rights Commission

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Wednesday, September 14, 2022

7:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St., Council
Chambers

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CALL TO ORDER

L. Stambaugh called the meeting to order at 7 :06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present 8 - Chair Leslie Krauz Stambaugh, Linda Winkler, Pamela Dent, Travis Radina, Keta Jeon Cowan, Elizabeth Nelson, Judah Garber, and Aidan Sova

Absent 2 - Ayesha Ghazi, and Diana Cass

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was brought before the commission.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as presented

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by J. Garber, seconded by K. Cowan, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 10/17/2022. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

INTERNAL BUSINESS

Follow Up on Outside Group Work*City Council:*

CM T. Radina discussed how the city plans to update the masking policy to reflect CDC guidelines and allow commissions to set their own standards.

Facial Recognition:

CM T. Radina reported the Facial Recognition conversation has been reignited with Interim Police Chief Aimee Metzger and new stakeholders to review the current policies. CM Radina will give an update in the near future.

Asian and African American Solidarity Picnic: L. Stambaugh reported the second annual picnic was a huge success. There was a large turnout, great food and HRC flyers were distributed. K. Cowan was one of the speakers.

Follow Up on Ongoing HRC Work

Complaints: L. Winker reported that the HRC recently received two Fair Chance Access to Housing Ordinance complaints. They were resolved by informing the landlords about the Ordinance. The HRC has been alerted about automatic background checks done when landlords use Zillow's online application process. The HRC will investigate this further. There is one complaint currently pending under the Non-Discrimination Ordinance, alleging discrimination on the basis of disability.

Washtenaw County Jail: P. Dent reported that, following receipt of a complaint about the Washtenaw County Jail over which the HRC has no jurisdiction, L. Stambaugh and P. Dent toured the jail at the invitation of the Sheriff's Office. They observed some areas of the jail, and did not see evidence of the complaint's allegations during their visit. The complaint was forwarded to the proper authorities to investigate the allegations.

Trespass - Proposed changes to the Policy and Notice Update: L. Winker reported the working group (including AAPD Acting Deputy Chief Patrick Maguire and Deputy City Attorney Arianne Slay) will meet on Thursday, September 15, 2022 to revise the Trespass Notice to make it more clear and allow property owners to ask that a person be trespassed for less than the current one-year-only option.

OLD BUSINESS**Outreach Updates**

Outreach Discussions - Draft of a brochure/flyer: L. Stambaugh revised and expanded the draft flyer D. Cass provided during the August meeting, so that it could be distributed at the picnic described above. Further changes are needed. Commissioners were asked to review and send comments on the flyer to L. Stambaugh.

School of Social Work: L. Stambaugh reported this year the University of Michigan School of Social work will have one class that will do research projects on issues relevant to the HRC and the city. L. Stambaugh requested feedback by September 15 about issues they might research.

L. Stambaugh also reported that students involved in University of Michigan LSA Student Government are interested in sponsoring a presentation about "Know Your Rights." A. Sova volunteered to assist.

Outreach to other HRC's in our area: K. Cowan discussed collaborating with other Human Rights Commissions in the surrounding Washtenaw County area on projects involving equity and inclusion and volunteered to collect contact information about them.

Proposed ordinance amendment to prohibit discrimination against the use of local-government-issued credentials.

K. Cowan explained what led to the creation of the Washtenaw County government-issued ID card. She proposes adding to the Non-Discrimination Ordinance protections for the use of that and other government -issued ID cards. The working group on this will meet to consider proposed language and a resolution in support, and will seek the counsel of Deputy City Attorney Margaret Radabaugh.

NEW BUSINESS**COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS****ADJOURNMENT**

A. Sova moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by J. Garber. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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