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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

7:00 PM

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Human Rights Commission

I CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m

II OPENING

ROLL CALL

Present 9 - Chair Leslie Krauz Stambaugh, Linda Winkler, Pamela Dent (Meadows), Travis Radina, Keta Jeon Cowan, Ayesha Ghazi, Elizabeth Nelson, Judah Garber, and Diana Cass

Absent 1 - Dilip Das

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments from the public were brought before the commission.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as presented

III ADMINISTRATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

21-0066 HRC December Minutes

A motion was made by K. Cowan, seconded by D. Cass, that the Minutes be Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council and should be returned by 2/16/2021. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

Planning Projects

L. Stambaugh asked commissioners to think about strategic planning topics and priorities for the year.

Officers

Commissioner Dent presented the nominees for HRC Chair and Vice Chair. Leslie Stambaugh was re-elected Chair and Judah Garber was elected Vice-Chair. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Brief Overview of the Commission's Work

Chair L. Stambaugh discussed the status of the proposed ordinance prohibiting conversion therapy for minors. Commissioners will review at next meeting after Senior Assistant City Attorney Margaret Radabaugh has completed her review.

Commissioner J. Garber discussed the HRC's work with the CREW study group.

Commissioner Ghazi has been appointed by Governor G. Whitmer to chair the Michigan Asia Pacific American Commission. A. Ghazi hopes to collaborate with the HRC.

Commissioners K. Cowan and L. Stambaugh attended and reported on a newly formed Planning Commission group looking at equity issues and land use.

IV OLD BUSINESS

The 180-day Issue

Commissioners agreed to propose to Council that the 180 day deadline to file discrimination complaints with the HRC be removed from the Non-Discrimination Ordinance.

Fair Chance Access to Housing Resolution

Commissioner K. Cowan drafted a resolution in support of the nearly ready proposed Fair Chance Access to Housing Ordinance, to ensure City Council knows why it's important and the rationale behind it. The commission voted to approve the resolution as is on a voice vote.

Fair Chance Access to Housing Proposed Ordinance (?)

L. Stambaugh discussed the status of the proposed Fair Chance Access to Housing Ordinance. Senior Assistant City Attorney Margaret Radabaugh is reviewing the ordinance. A final draft of the ordinance should be ready for next month's meeting.

V COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

CM T. Radina announced the Mayor has appointed Naomi Goldberg to be his LGBTQ Liaison. She is Director of Policy Research at the Movement Advancement Project.

Council Member T. Radina talked about what was discussed at the last Council meeting regarding Racial Recognition Technology in Ann Arbor. He and CM Song and Nelson want to collaborate with ICPOC and the HRC to ban use of that technology.

ADJOURNMENT

K. Cowan moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by J. Garber. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

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