



Meeting Minutes

Human Rights Commission

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

5:15 PM

5th Floor Conference Room

Rescheduled from July 19th to July 26th for lack of quorum

Call to Order, Roll Call

Present: 5 - Fabio Burgos, Shaundel Spivey, Will Van Roosenbeek, Elizabeth Digby-Britten, Rose Reinert

Excused: 2 - Ashley Lacenski, Vacant 1

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the June 21, 2017 meeting minutes. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Agenda Items:

1. [17-1004](#) Discuss and review complaint

Fabio Burgos introduced the item. Elizabeth Digby-Britten recused herself and left the room. Fabio noted legal memorandum from Paul Fredrickson, City Attorney's Office. Paul provided a summary of the memorandum noting it isn't actionable by this Commission due to the ordinance's definition of a city facility plus the State's control of public schools. There was discussion about the application of the ordinance to "places of public accommodation" and why schools are not covered. A letter was requested to be sent to the school district.

On a related note and relative to the Commission's note, the Commission may pass on the concern to the office of Civil Rights and send a letter to the school district inviting school district officials to a listening session.

A motion was made by Spivey, seconded by Reinert, to dismiss the complaint due to inactionable nature of complaint per attorney memo for not meeting the standard 22.26. The motion carried by voice vote.

2. [17-1001](#) Sundown Town Summary

Attachments: [Presentation](#)

Shaundel Spivey provided an overview. Elizabeth suggested a few edits. Fabio suggested a date for the presentation, perhaps in November.

3. [17-1002](#) Sundown Town display and possible collaboration with Arts Board listening session on art and social justice

Lewis Kuhlman provided input in working with Kate Parker on a joint listening session in October. The Commission asked Kate to provide more detail for event.

4. [17-0794](#)

HRC Table Opportunities

Back to School Bash with School District at Western on August 14th from 2-7 p.m.; Rose Reinert is available and Elizabeth will reserve a table.

Will VanRoosenbeek noted Pride in the Park is September 8-10

Will also noted farmer's markets opportunities, including winter market

Next Meeting Date/Agenda Items

The next meetings are August 16, 2017 and September 20, 2017 at 5:15 p.m.

Agenda Items:

- Fabio will invite Jane Alberts to the next meeting(s) regarding Public Housing Authority questions on statistics and general discussion/issues*
- Standing item for Housing Authority discussion and review*
- Letter of support for Lori Lunney*
- Impeachment letter to federal representatives*

Adjournment

A motion was made by Spivey, seconded by Digby-Britten, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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