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BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (HRC)

CREATED BY:

Resolution No. 14565, adopted September 6, 1988
Resolution No. 16658, adopted August 1, 1994
Resolution No. 18707, adopted September 11, 2000
Ordinance No. 11599, adopted December 4, 2018
*Ordinance 12024, Adopted August 8, 2023

MEMBERS:

8 members representing the Metropolitan community. Each member of the Mayor and Council shall appoint 1 Commissioner. The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Commission will designate 1 member to serve on the Human Relations Commission.

QUORUM:

*Pursuant to Tucson Code, § 10A-140(a) this BCC is designated as “Category 1,” for which a majority of the members currently *appointed and serving* shall constitute a quorum.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- (1) The Commission shall reflect the racial, ethnic, sex, religion, age and other protected groups and diverse lifestyles of residents of the Tucson Metropolitan Community.
- (2) Commission representation shall include persons known to favor principles of equal opportunity and non-discrimination, and who have demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the problems concerning human relations and who are committed to the achievement of the goals of the Commission.

TERMS OF OFFICE:

The terms of each member shall be coterminous with the term of office of the Mayor or member of the Council who appointed them, or until their successors on the Commission are appointed. Members of the Commission shall be eligible for reappointment but in no event may any individual serve more than a total of eight

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(8) consecutive years. The member designated by the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Transgender Commission shall serve for two years.

APPLICABILITY OF TUCSON CODE CHAPTER 10A, ARTICLE XIII:

All provisions of TCC Chapter 10A, Article XIII are applicable. T.C. § 10A-134(c) Appointees, except for advisory members and members of the technical code committees named herein, may not serve on more than two (2) bodies at a time.

FUNCTIONS:

- (1) Study discrimination within the community and encourage mutual understanding, respect and cooperation among all groups within the Tucson Metropolitan Community.
- (2) Gather, analyze, and disseminate factual data relating to human relations and issue reports to be made available to the public respecting its studies, research, investigations and other activities.
- (3) Plan and conduct community programs of information and education in the field of human relations.
- (4) Cooperate with federal, state, county, city and other governmental and non-governmental agencies and organizations.
- (5) Recommend to Mayor and Council plans and programs to implement the policy adopted by this Resolution.
- (6) Recommend to Mayor and Council for consideration the development of legislation which the Commission finds necessary and desirable to carry out the policy of this Commission.
- (7) Undertake and carry out such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Commission by Mayor and Council.
- (8) Request of any City department information and other assistance for the purpose of furthering the objectives of the Commission.
- (9) Tucson Code Chapter 17, Section 17-15 paragraph (c) - The charging party may file with the Tucson Human Relations Commission, a request for reviewing the findings of the Affirmative Action Division on cases of discrimination.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW REQUIREMENTS:

This public body is subject to all of the provisions of the law. Minutes of meetings are to be filed with the City Clerk.

***Denotes Changes**

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SUPPORTING DEPARTMENT:

Administrative Support - City Clerk Staff 791-4213

Historical Notes:

December 4, 2018 – Ordinance 11599, amended the Tucson Code, Chapter 10A-134(c) allowing members to serve on up to two (2) BCC's Simultaneously.

**August 8, 2023 – Ordinance 12024, amended the Tucson Code Chapter 10A, Article XIII to add a new Tucson code Section 10A-140, defining different quorum requirements for two specified categories of Boards, Committees, or Commissions.*

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