



Human Relations Commission
Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 6:15 pm
Meeting held virtually via Microsoft Teams



Legal Action Report

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dalton at 6:36 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

John Dalton, Chair	Ward 3
Cedric Smith	Ward 4
Dr. June Webb-Vignery	Ward 5

Absent:

Melissa Gomez	Ward 2
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Staff Members Present:

Sarah Blayda	City Clerk's Office
Rick Guerra	City Clerk's Office

2. Approval of Minutes: meeting of November 8, 2023

It was moved by Commissioner Webb-Vignery, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 (Commissioner Gomez absent/excused) to approve the Minutes from the meeting of November 8, 2023.

3. Call to the Audience

No one spoke.

4. Chairperson's Summary of Current Events

No report was given.

5. Commissioners' Summary of Current Events

Commissioner Web-Vignery reported that the Pima County Interfaith co-sponsored Prayers for Democracy meetings at St. Phillips Church and Mount Calvary Baptist Church. She also reported working with the Pima County Recorder's Office on a series of trainings regarding ballot processing.

6. HRC Housekeeping:
a. 2024 Public Notice Statement

Discussion was held to establish whether the Commission will continue to meet as needed or resume meeting on the second Wednesday of each month.

b. HRC Meeting Dates and Times

Discussion was held to determine whether the 6:15pm meeting time still worked for members of the Commission or if a change of meeting time would be most beneficial.

It was moved by Commissioner Webb-Vignery, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 (Commissioner Gomez absent/excused), to change the HRC meeting time to 5:00pm, on the second Wednesday of each month.

c. Formation of Subcommittees

Discussion was held to identify what subcommittees the commission would like to form once some of the HRC vacancies had been filled. In the meantime, the Commission will add these areas of concern to the regular HRC agenda for discussion.

7. Appointment of HRC Representative to LGBTQ

It was moved by Commissioner Webb-Vignery, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 (Commissioner Gomez absent/excused), to appoint Chair Dalton to represent the Human Relations Commission on the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Issues (LGBTQ+) once meetings resumed.

8. Invitation of Gabriella Cazares-Kelly, Pima County Recorder, to attend a HRC Meeting

a. Establish talking points/questions

Discussion was held to identify areas of interest to be included when the Commission invites Gabriella Cazares-Kelly to attend a future HRC meeting.

9. Invitation of Laurice Walker, City of Tucson Equity Officer to attend a HRC Meeting

a. Establish talking points/questions

Discussion was held to identify areas of interest to be included when the Commission invites Laurice Walker to attend a future HRC meeting.

10. Vacancy and Advisory Positions

a. Appointment/removal of non-voting Advisory Commissioners

At this time there are no applicants awaiting appointment to HRC, however, Commissioner Smith indicated now that HRC was meeting more regularly, he would re-engage with interested candidates and encourage them to participate.

11. Special Recognition Requests

There were no requests for recognition at this time.

12. Future Agenda Items

Discussion was held to identify discussion topics for future meetings.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm

The next HRC meeting will be Wednesday, January 10, 2023.