



Human Relations Commission
Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 6:15 pm
Meeting held virtually via Microsoft Teams



Summary Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Dalton at 6:30 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. Appointment of Vice Chair Dalton to HRC Chair

It was moved by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call vote of 3 to 0 (Commissioner Gomez absent/excused) to appoint Vice Chair Dalton to Chair.

3. Approval of Minutes: meeting of June 8, 2022

It was moved by Chair Dalton, 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 June 8, 2022.

4. Call to the Audience

No one spoke.

5. Chairperson's Summary of Current Events

No report was given.

6. Commissioner's Summary of Current Events

No report was given.

7. Commissioner's Report and Discussion

a. Rosa Parks and Ray Davies Funds

Chair Dalton provided a brief overview of the respective funds.

b. Strategic Planning – Chair Dalton

i. Strategic Planning Priority Items to focus on as a Commission:

- **Housing / Rental rates**

No report was given.

c. Diversity Report – Commissioner Smith

Commissioner Smith indicated it had been so long since they'd met, he would need to reengage to gather additional information.

Chair Dalton said he had also done some research but suggested they bring it back to a future meeting. He said traditionally the item focused on police and fire, but they could discuss it further at a future meeting.

d. Human Rights Standards in Procurement – Chair Dalton

Chair Dalton explained this was intended to establish a review process within the procurement section, which would involve checking for human or civil rights violations, following suit with what other, more progressive cities had done. He said he believed they would have the support of some of the current members of the City Council.

8. Action Regarding 2020 Census Undercounts

No report was given.

9. Immigrant Welcoming City / Refugee Advocacy

No report was given.

10. Invitation of Gabriella Cazares-Kelly, Pima County Recorder to attend a future HRC meeting

a. Legislative Changes that Affect the Community

Discussion was held to invite Gabriella Cazares-Kelly, of the Pima County Recorder's Office, to attend a future meeting to discuss any legislative changes that might affect the community.

11. Invitation of Laurice Walker, City of Tucson Equity Officer to attend a future HRC meeting

Discussion was held to invite Laurice Walker, the City of Tucson Equity Officer, to attend a future meeting.

12. Vacancy and Advisory Positions
a. Appointment/removal of non-voting Advisory Commissioners

Discussion was held regarding the number of Commission vacancies.

13. Special Recognition Requests
a. 65th Anniversary of the Commission on Civil Rights
b. additional requests.

Chair Dalton provided a brief overview of the item and its subsections.

14. Future Agenda Items

Discussion was held to identify future agenda items.

15. Adjournment: 7:13pm