



Human Relations Commission
Wednesday, June 11, 2025, 5:15 pm
Meeting held virtually via Microsoft Teams



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1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Smith at 5:15 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

Eric Howard	Ward 3
Cedric Smith, Chair	Ward 4
Dr. June Webb-Vignery	Ward 5

Absent:

Ashley Jackson	Ward 2
John Dalton	Non-Voting Advisory Member
Isis Berry	Non-Voting Advisory Member

Staff Members Present:

Rick Guerra	City Clerk's Office
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2. Call to the Audience

No one spoke.

3. Draft Letter to Raul Grijalva's Family

Chairman Smith checked with other commissioners to ensure they are okay with the letter send out review and that it could potentially be emailed or mailed out today.

Commissioner Howard wanted to know if they would have to sign the letter or type their names to the letter.

Chairman Smith mentioned that they can type the names onto the letter and in parentheses add if they are a commissioner or advisor.

Chairman Smith asked for a motion to send out the letter.

It was moved by Commissioner Webb-Vignery, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call, Motions passed 3 to 0, to mail out the letter.

4. Draft Resolution Letter for TCE Situation

Chairman Smith asked the commissioner if they were able to review the letter and if they had any questions.

Commissioner Webb mentioned that the letter was good. She just had a question since she was under the impression that Davis Monthan Air Force base was contaminating the water but per the letter, it shows that it is coming from 3M which is a corporation that was further out.

Chairman Smith mentioned that it was DM plus a list of other companies,

Commissioner Howard mentioned that per the articles he read it was DM and other processors like Raytheon, and the City of Tucson was distributing the water unknowingly that it was contaminated. The summary that was put together by Daniel at the U of A did a really good job of summarizing where the energy was and where the concerns were on the first page.

Chairman Smith mentioned that the letter captures the kind of the spirit and energy of what was said and the concerns of the people.

Commissioner Howard mentioned that we need to send this to a City Council person so they can review it and maybe get it submitted to the Mayor and Council agenda to become a resolution in a future meeting. Would like to try to get this passed by the September agenda, so we can make a public display at MOCA and HRC would be there to give a highlight of the resolution. We have been in contact with Alicia Vasquez who works with Lane Santa Cruz, she is going to help us get this letter in front of her and hopefully add it to the September agenda.

It was moved by Commissioner Howard, duly seconded, and carried by a roll call Motions passed 3 to 0, provide the letter to Council Member Santa Cruz.

5. Update from HRC Representative to LGBTQ+

Commissioner Webb mentioned that they had filled some positions but still have some positions open.

6. Vacancy and Advisory Positions

Chairman Smith mentioned that he currently doesn't have any updates on this subject so far.

Commissioner Howard wants to know if we have any brochures or communication material about HRC that they can promote?

Rick is going to look to see if we have anything from prior years.

7. Chairperson's Summary of Current Events

Chairman Smith mentioned that he currently doesn't have any updates on this subject so far.

8. Commissioners' Summary of Current Events

No comment.

9. Future Agenda Items

- Follow up on updates from Council Member Lane's office.
- What is happening here locally in Tucson/Pima County

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.