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#### **Human Relations Commission**

Wednesday, October 8, 2025, 5:15 pm Meeting held virtually via Microsoft Teams



#### **Minutes**

#### 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

Iris Berry Non-Voting Advisory Member

### Absent:

Ashley Jackson Ward 2 Josue Romero Ward 6

John Dalton Non-Voting Advisory Member

#### **Staff Members and Others Present:**

Rick Guerra City Clerk's Office

## 2. Approval of Minutes: meeting of September 10, 2025

No action taken.

## 3. Call to the Audience

No one spoke

## 4. Update from HRC Representative to LGBTQ+

Commissioner Webb-Vignery said LGBTQ Commission met this month with the Pima County Health Department that gave an overview of the Health Department itself and the different services available.

## 5. Follow up from Council Member Lane's office regarding TCE

Chair Smith stated he reached out to Council Member Santa Cruz's office and sent an email to Gabriela a couple of days ago and has not heard anything back as of yet.

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He also asked if everyone had a chance to read the thank you letter regarding the passing of the Resolution that the Human Relations Commission presented to Mayor and Council, or if they had any feedback on the letter.

Commissioner Howard said the thank you letter to be sent was on the caveat that the City approves the Resolution after the final language from the City Attorney's Office.

Chair Smith agreed that the Commission will wait on the letter till the Resolution is completed.

Commissioner Howard said the subcommittee talked about basically what a strategy could look like to engage the Pima County Board of Supervisors with a similar Resolution and engaging them.

## 6. What's new in Tucson/Pima County (Discussion Only)

Commissioner Webb said we have a new representative to the US House of Representative, and it is Adelita Grijalva, and she is well experienced.

Commissioner Howard was just curious to hear if anybody had insights about how the government shutdown was affecting local community members on programs like Snap.

Commissioner Webb said Saint Francis Church will fill the affect because of the work that they do.

## 7. Vacancy and Advisory Positions

Chair Smith said he had no updates.

## 8. Chairperson's Summary of Current Events

Chair Smith said he had no updates.

## 9. Commissioners' Summary of Current Events

Commissioner Howard announced that there was an event on Friday, November 14th, the Living With Injury Exhibit Opening at Museum of Contemporary Art Tucson from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Commissioner Howard also announced that there was an event on Saturday, December 13th, from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm, the TCE Mural unveiling and hearing ceremony.

Commissioner Howard also announced that on Wednesday, January 21st, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm, the Anniversary Event to Honor Tucson's Unified Community Advisory Board, for 30 years of the board working to ensure clean, safe water for the people.

Chair Smith mentioned the idea of canceling the December meeting and meet in January.

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## 10. Future Agenda Items

No new items were added.

# 11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 pm