

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Regular Meeting
MINUTES
Monday, November 27, 2023
5:30 p.m. – Adjournment

The Human Rights Commission convened in a REGULAR CALLED meeting on Monday, November 27, 2023, at Austin City Hall, Board & Commission Room, 1101 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701

Chair I. Griffth called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance: Chair I. Griffith, J. Clemmons, M. Davis, L. Garcia

Board Members/Commissioners in Attendance Remotely: M. Aslam, K. Duhon, M. Stevenson, G. Zeidan,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Human Rights Commission regular meeting of June 26, 2023

Motion made by L. Garcia and seconded by J. Clemmons; passed 8-0; A. Weigel and M. Kruger were absent.

2. Approve the minutes of the Human Rights Commission regular meeting of October 23, 2023

Motion made by J. Clemmons and seconded by M. Aslam; passed 8-0; A. Weigel and M. Kruger were absent.

3. Approve the minutes of the Human Rights special meeting of November 6, 2023

Motion made by J. Clemmons and seconded by K. Duhon; motion passed 7-0-1; G. Garcia Abstain.

4. Approve the minutes of the Human Rights Commission special meeting on December 11, 2022

Motion made by M. Aslam and seconded by Chair I. Griffith; motion failed 4 – 4. J. Clemmons, M. Davis, L. Garcia, & M. Stevenson voted against; A. Weigel and M. Kruger were absent.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

5. A training session led by the City of Austin Law Department on Texas Opens Meeting Act (TOMA)

Presentation was made by Caroline Webster with City of Austin Law Department.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Commissioner Davis to present and share information about ATX Kind

Presentation made by Commissioner Davis.

7. Commissioner Duhon to share the budget notes from the Budget Meeting hosted by the Equity Office.

Presentation made by Commissioner Duhon.

8. Update from the Joint Inclusion Committee since appointing new representatives.

Updated made by Commissioner Daivs.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS – COMPLETED

9. Discussion, appoint, and act on the creation of a working group about the budget

The commission appointed the following members into a working group about the budget: K. Duhon; J. Clemmons, M. Davis, G. Zeidan. Motion made by L. Garcia and seconded by Chair I. Griffith. 8-0; A. Weigel and M. Kruger were absent.

10. Discuss and act on inviting the Austin Police Chief in January 2024

Moved to January Meeting

11. Discussion and elect a Vice Chair to fulfill the current timeline.

The commission voted K. Duhon to be the Vice Chair. Motion made by G. Zeidan and seconded by M. Davis. 8-0; A. Weigel and M. Kruger were absent.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Continued discussion of item 6

ADJOURNMENT

Chair I. Griffith adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on the January 22, 2024 on G. Seidan motion, J. Clemmons second on a motion carried 8 - 0. K. Duhon & M. Davis were off the dais.