



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, April 27, 2020

The Human Rights Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, April 27, 2020 via teleconference in Austin, Texas.

Chair Sareta Davis called the Board Meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Griffith, and Commissioner Museitif.

Staff in Attendance: Jonathan Babiak, Human Resources Coordinator, Human Resources Department

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the regular meeting of February 24, 2020 were approved on a vote of 7-0: Commissioner Garry Brown motion, Chair Davis second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Griffith, and Commissioner Museitif. Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White were absent.

2. OLD BUSINESS

a. COMMUNITY FORUM

The commission will conduct a forum on community priorities for the 2020-2021 City of Austin budget. The commission may take action concerning recommendations related to the budget. (Davis/Caballero)

i. Evictions in Travis County

The Commission discussed this item and worked informally to finalize the recommendation. After the draft was finalized, Chair Davis moved for adoption, Commissioner Jamarr Brown second. The Commission adopted the recommendation on a vote of 7-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Griffith, and Commissioner Museitif. Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White were absent.

ii. Financial assistance for families in Travis County

The Commission discussed this item and worked informally to finalize the recommendation. After the draft was finalized, Chair Davis moved for adoption, Commissioner Museitif second. The Commission adopted the recommendation on a

vote of 8-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Griffith, and Commissioner Museitif. Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White were absent.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding new commissioner assignments to the Joint Inclusion Committee (Davis/Caballero)

Chair Davis moved to send to Mayor and Council the nomination of Commissioner Jamarr Brown to serve on the Joint Inclusion Committee as the primary representative of the Human Rights Commission, Commissioner Breckenridge second. Commissioner Jamarr Brown accepted the nomination. The motion was adopted on a vote of 8-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Griffith, and Commissioner Museitif. Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White were absent.

Chair Davis moved to send to Mayor and Council the nomination of Commissioner Griffith to serve on the Joint Inclusion Committee as the backup representative of the Human Rights Commission, Commissioner Garry Brown second. Commissioner Griffith accepted the nomination. The motion was adopted on a vote of 8-0. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Caballero, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Garry Brown, Commissioner Jamarr Brown, Commissioner Casas, Commissioner Griffith, and Commissioner Museitif. Commissioner Santana, Commissioner Weigel, and Commissioner White were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p.m. on unanimous consent.