

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, June 28, 2021

The Human Rights Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, June 28, 2021 via teleconference in Austin, Texas.

Chair Sareta Davis called the Board Meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Davis, Vice Chair Casas, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Griffith, Commissioner Museitif, and Commissioner Weigel.

Staff in Attendance: Jonathan Babiak, Human Resources Coordinator, Office of Civil Rights

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. The minutes from the regular meeting of April 26, 2021 were approved on a vote of 6-0: Chair Davis motion, Commissioner Griffith second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Casas, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Griffith, Commissioner Museitif, and Commissioner Weigel. Commissioner Areche, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Brienzi, Commissioner Garry Brown, and Commissioner Jamarr Brown were absent.

NOTE: The audio recording of the meeting malfunctioned. This item will be returned to a future agenda for action.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action related to Campaign Zero's 8 Can't Wait initiative and recommending Austin Police Department address inappropriate use of force by implementing a Duty to Intervene policy for officers. (Casas/Davis)
 - The Commission discussed this item. The Commission took no action on this item.
- Discussion and possible action on setting goals for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. (Davis/Casas)

The commission discussed this item. The Commission voted to continue the current goals unchanged for the coming year on a vote of 6–0: Chair Davis motion, Commissioner Griffith second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Casas, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Griffith, Commissioner Museitif, and Commissioner Weigel. Commissioner Areche, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Brienzi, Commissioner Garry Brown, and Commissioner Jamarr Brown were absent.

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- c. Discussion on the 2020-21 Annual Internal Review Report. (Davis/Casas)
 - The Commission discussed this item. The Commission took no action on this item.
- d. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation regarding Public Health Crises and Vaccine Inequities. (Museitif/Davis)

The Commission discussed this item. The amended recommendation was adopted on a vote of 6–0: Commissioner Museitif motion, Chair Davis second. Voting in favor were Chair Davis, Vice Chair Casas, Commissioner Caballero, Commissioner Griffith, Commissioner Museitif, and Commissioner Weigel. Commissioner Areche, Commissioner Breckenridge, Commissioner Brienzi, Commissioner Garry Brown, and Commissioner Jamarr Brown were absent.

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e. Discussion on a recommendation to City Council regarding funding a public information and outreach campaign regarding medically unnecessary treatments on individuals born with intersex traits or variations in sex characteristics. (Weigel/Davis)

The Commission discussed this item. The Commission took no action on this item.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. The Commission discussed the following key priority areas of concern for 2020-2021:
 - i. Institutional Equity
 - ii. Environment & Land Use
 - iii. Health Access & Nutrition
 - iv. Autonomy & Human Right

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m. on unanimous consent.