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**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 25, 2023

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Commission 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Angelica Solis-Montero called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. along with, Commission Vice President Stacy Twilley and Commissioners Courtney Morgan-Greene, Rosa Russell, Irene Tovar, Melany De La Cruz-Viesca and Brooke Wirtschafter in attendance. Commissioner Herpsima Khatchadorian joined the meeting at 12:18 p.m. Commissioner Ysabel Jurado joined the meeting at 12:07 p.m. and left at 12:50 p.m. Commissioner Twilley left the meeting at 1:35 p.m. Commissioner Tovar left the meeting at 1:44 p.m. Commissioner Nirinjin Singh Khalsa was absent.

Those also in attendance included Capri Maddox, General Manager; Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager; Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney; Francisco Ortega, Senior Project Coordinator; and James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II.

A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public comment period was opened. There were no speakers to address the Commission, so the public comment period was closed.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The Commission discussed the minutes of the November 16, 2022 Regular Meeting, the December 14, 2022 Special Meeting and the January 11, 2023 Special Meeting.

Commissioner Morgan-Greene made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2022, December 14, 2022 and the January 11, 2023 meetings. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Morgan-Greene  
Seconded: Russell  
Ayes: De La Cruz-Viesca, Twilley, Wirtschafter  
Abstain: Jurado, Solis-Montero, Tovar  
Absent: Khalsa, Khatchadorian

Vote: 8 - 0

The motion passed.

**4. DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB-361**

The continuation of teleconference meetings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (AB-361) was discussed by the Commission.

Commissioner Wirtschafter made a motion to continue holding Commission meetings via teleconference pursuant to AB-361. Commissioner Twilley seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Wirtschafter  
Seconded: Twilley  
Ayes: Morgan-Greene, Jurado, Solis-Montero, Russell, Tovar, De La Cruz-Viesca,  
Absent: Khalsa, Khatchadorian

Vote: 8 - 0

The motion passed.

**5. DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Capri Maddox, General Manager, Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department, gave an update on the Department's activities and goals. Director Maddox shared the LA Civil Rights Overview Deck for January 2023. This presentation can be viewed at [civilandhumanrights.lacity.org](http://civilandhumanrights.lacity.org). GM Maddox spoke about the Kingdom Day Parade and thanked Commissioner Courtney Morgan-Greene and her family for their support. Commissioners Karina Samala and Mandlay Kayise also marched in the parade.

**6. TAC REPORT**

Karina Samala, Chair of the Transgender Advisory Council shared the recent events and activities of the TAC.

**7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

a. The Commission discussed the Election of Officers. Commissioner Solis-Montero turned the elections over to Francisco Ortega who opened the nominations for the positions of President, First Vice-President and Second Vice-President.

Commissioner Twilley made a motion to nominate Commissioner Solis-Montero for the position of President. Commissioner Tovar seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Twilley  
Seconded: Tovar  
Ayes: Morgan-Greene, Jurado, Khatchadorian, Russell, Solis-Montero, De La Cruz-Viesca, Wirtschafter  
Absent: Khalsa  
Vote: 9 - 0

The motion passed.

Commissioner De La Cruz-Viesca made a motion to nominate Commissioner Morgan Greene for the position of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. Commissioner Khatchadorian seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: De La Cruz-Viesca  
Seconded: Khatchadorian  
Ayes: Morgan-Greene, Jurado, Solis-Montero, Russell, Tovar, Twilley, Wirtschafter  
Absent: Khalsa  
Vote: 9 - 0

The motion passed.

Commissioner Solis-Montero made a motion to nominate Commissioner De La Cruz-Viesca for the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Commissioner Jurado seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Solis-Montero  
Seconded: Jurado  
Ayes: Morgan-Greene, Khatchadorian, Russell, Tovar, De La Cruz-Viesca, Twilley, Wirtschafter  
Absent: Khalsa  
Vote: 9 - 0

The motion passed.

- b. Sergeant Jennifer Mūther, LAPD presented and proposed a motion to work in partnership with the Los Angeles Police Department Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Group to plan, organize and execute Dinner Dialogues on policing in all four LAPD Bureaus in 2023 and to create an Ad Hoc Committee to oversee the project.

Commissioner Morgan-Greene made a motion to establish a partnership between the Human Relations Commission and the Los Angeles Police Department, and to create the Dinner Dialogue Ad hoc committee to oversee it. Commissioner De La Cruz-Viesca seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Morgan-Greene  
Seconded: De La Cruz-Viesca  
Ayes: Khatchadorian, Russell, Solis-Montero, Tovar, Twilley, Wirtschafter  
Absent: Jurado, Khalsa

Vote: 8 - 0

The motion passed.

*Commissioners Morgan-Greene, Khatchadorian, Russell and Twilley volunteered to participate in the LAPD Dinner Dialogue Ad hoc Committee. In her absence, Commissioner Tovar was nominated by Commissioner De La Cruz-Viesca to serve on this Ad hoc as well.*

- c. Francisco Ortega, Senior Project Coordinator gave a summary of the 2022 Human Relations Commission Retreat.
- d. The Commission discussed the creation of the Bylaws Ad hoc Committee. This group will review the Commission's current bylaws and make recommendations for the updated version.

Commissioner Morgan-Greene made a motion to create the Bylaws Ad hoc committee. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Morgan-Greene  
Seconded: Russell  
Ayes: Khatchadorian, Solis-Montero, Twilley, De La Cruz-Viesca, Wirtschafter  
Absent: Jurado, Khalsa, Tovar

Vote: 7 - 0

The motion passed.

*Commissioners Morgan-Greene, Solis-Montero and De La Cruz-Viesca volunteered to participate in the Bylaws Ad hoc Committee.*

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Russell highlighted several events and celebrations during Black History Month. Claudia Luna invited the Commissioners to a Department potluck to honor long-time staff member Sheldon Cruz for his promotion and transfer to the Youth Development Department.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.