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## **HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2024

12:00 p.m.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Commission President Brittany McKinley called the meeting to order at 12:17 p.m. Present at roll call were Commissioners Candice Cho, Enrique de la Cruz, Courtney Morgan-Greene, Rosa Russell and Angelica Solis-Montero.

Commissioners Melissa Grant, Michele Reed, Maria Roman-Taylorson, and Brooke Wirtschafter were absent.

Vice President Arreola arrived at 12:22 p.m. after the roll call.

Also in attendance were Capri Maddox, General Manager, LA Civil Rights Department; Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager; Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney; Carla Ibarra, LGBTQIA+ Community Liaison; Liliana Villa, Human Relations Advocate; Chloe Coventry, Management Assistant; and Tyna Hall Blackman, Commission Executive Assistant.

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. Therefore, public comment was closed.

### **3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The Commission reviewed the minutes of the July 24, 2024 Regular meeting. Commissioner Russell motioned to approve the July 24, 2024 meeting minutes. Commissioner Cho seconded the motion, and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Russell  
Seconded: Cho  
Ayes: Arreola, de la Cruz, McKinley, Morgan-Greene, Solis-Montero

Absent: Grant, Reed, Roman-Taylorson, Wirtschafter

Vote: 7 - 0

The motion passed.

#### **4. DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Capri Maddox, General Manager, LA Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department, provided an update on the Department's activities and goals. General Manager Maddox announced that 8.5 million dollars will go to communities for the L.A. Repair project, led by Diamond James and Allison Wilhite. She acknowledged Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney, for his hard work in facilitating grants for LA Repair and congratulated Allison Wilhite on her successful efforts with the project and her promotion to the CAO's office.

GM Maddox introduced Akib Rahman, the new Policy Fellow working with Mayra Medel, Executive Officer at L.A. Civil Rights, and expressed her gratitude to Ms. Medel for her work lighting up the City of Los Angeles, from the Zoo to the Port of Los Angeles, for the LA for All initiative. She also asked commissioners to reserve the end of September 2025 for LA for All Week, during which the HRC can participate in volunteer activities.

Additionally, GM Maddox shared details of the Latinas Leading Change Panel, highlighting the remarkable women who served on the panel and contributed to the event.

#### **5. DISCUSSION - STRATEGIC PRIORITIES PLAN**

GM Maddox led the Commission in discussing the Strategic Priorities Plan. During the discussion, the Commission agreed to hold a virtual post-election community gathering. The goal of this event would be to provide a listening space for our constituents and helpful resources. Commissioners who committed to leading this event were Arreola, Cho, and Solis.

Commissioner McKinley made a motion to adopt the Strategic Priorities Plan. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion, and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: McKinley  
Seconded: Russell  
Ayes: Arreola, Cho, Morgan-Greene, Solis-Montero  
Nay: de la Cruz

Absent: Grant, Reed, Roman-Taylorson, Wirtschafter

Vote: 6 - 1

**6. AD HOC UPDATES**

- a. President McKinley announced the Young Adult Dinner Dialogue (YADD) Ad Hoc is finalizing the YADD report, which should be completed in the next few weeks.
- b. Chloe Coventry, Management Assistant from the LA Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department, updated the Commission on the Naming of Civic Spaces Ad Hoc. The Ad Hoc will meet with independent historians Allison Rose Jefferson and Catherine Gudis to speak about their work and offer advice on the Ad Hoc's civic space naming project.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m.