



Spokane Human Rights Commission

Thursday, August 4, 2021

5:30 PM-7:00 PM

[Meeting Link](#)

+1-408-418-9388

Access code: 146 882 7916

TIMES GIVEN ARE AN ESTIMATE AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Land Acknowledgment & Public Comment Period:

5:30 - 5:40

Land Acknowledgement

Public Comment (3 minutes each). Citizens are invited to address the Commission on any topic not on the agenda.

Commission Briefing Session:

5:40 - 5:45

A. Roll Call & Approval of the May Minutes and Budget

Chair Kissler

Standing Update(s):

5:45 – 5:55	Chair Report & Budget Update (15 mins)	Chair Kissler
5:55 – 6:35	Commissioner Vacancy Candidates, 5 minutes introduction and 5 minutes for questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Michael Thorp ○ Justice Forral ○ Alex Knox ○ Olivia Arballo-Saenz 	All
6:35 - 6:40	Consider of Resolution re: Spokane County Sheriff, draft (C)	Chair Kissler
6:40- 6:45	Office of Civil Rights Exploratory Task Force & Civil Rights Officer Hiring Update	Chair Kissler
6:45 – 6:50	Courageous Conversations Planning	All
6:50-6:55	Inviting Groups to Present to the SHRC	All
6:55-7:00	Subcommittees	All

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stability Planning ○ Civic Impact ○ Outreach 	
Adjournment		
<p>1) Next Human Rights Commission meeting is scheduled for September 2nd, 2021 at 5:30pm (PST)</p>		

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Spokane Human Rights Commission July 1, 2021

Meeting Minutes: Called to order at 5:32

Land Acknowledgment

Public Comment: no public comment

Commission Briefing Session:

Commission Members Present: Lance Kissler, Hayley Harrison, Anwar Peace, Jac Archer, Brennan Schreiber, Abigail Baker.

Commission Member Not Present: Moore

Community Members Present: Alex Gibilisco,

May Minutes approved with amendments

Discussion Items

1. Chair reports attached to the agenda
2. Budget report
3. Public Safety Police Data and Reporting
 - a. Anwar shared more context of the data presented
 - b. Chair Kissler invited leadership to have a courageous conversation
 - c. Move to formally establish a courageous conversation, details TBD
 - d. Motion carries unanimously
4. New Commissioners introductions
 - a. Brennan Schreiber
 - b. Abigail Baker
5. Subcommittees, opportunity for commissioners to be more involved
 - a. Outreach – engage community, and communicate
 - b. Civic impact subcommittee
 - c. Sustainability subcommittee
 - d. Alex and Lance will connect on potential IT needs
6. Chair and Commissioner Harrison will work on a statement to respond to Sheriff's message



Chair's Report

August 5, 2021

Dear Commissioners,

Below is a summary of activities I participated in as Chair of the SHRC, as well as additional points of interest:

- Social Media (Facebook)
 - Posted the Spokane Parks and Natural Lands Master Plan survey link.
 - Posted the Spokane Regional Transportation Council long range transportation plan feedback request.
 - Posted the request for feedback by Spokane City Council on American Rescue Plan funds.
 - Created the Facebook event for the Aug. 5 meeting.
- OCR Exploratory Task Force
 - Continued facilitating task force meetings as available
 - Engaged with city staff and leadership on hiring process, including a recommendation on how to move forward
- Reached out to candidates for the two at-large vacancies on the Commission
- Started the re-appointment consideration process with the Mayor's Office for Commissioner Archer
- Working on onboarding newly appointed Commissioners; awaiting city email addresses to be assigned
- Continued collaborating with area higher education institutions and community partners on the possibility of establishing a Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation Campus Center
- Drafted resolutions for consideration by the full Commission
- Followed up with city legal regarding the SHRC's role to address Sheriff Knezovich's email complaint
- Responded to an email inquiry regarding housing and homeless issues for a local resident
- Forwarded information regarding the establishment of an NGO human rights group called "Treasure State Values" that has started up in Mineral and Sanders Counties in Montana; might consider issuing a salutation

Spokane Human Rights Commission

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Date	Budget	Expenditures	Balance	Comments	FMS	Amt cleared FMS
1/1/2021	\$8,000.00		\$8,000.00	Initial Budget		
1/14/2021	\$1,000.00		\$9,000.00	Contribution Received		
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