



Spokane Human Rights Commission

Thursday, October 7th, 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 (10 mins)	Chair Kissler
5:55 – 6:00	Welcome Jerrall Haynes	Jerrall Haynes
6:00 – 6:10	Tenant Education and Protections	Terri Anderson
6:10 – 6:25	Officer and Subcommittee Nominations (bylaws)	All
6:25- 6:30	Monaghan Statue Endorsement Vote	All
6:30-6:40	Update to the bylaws	Comm. Anwar
6:40-7:00	Subcommittee Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civic Impact • Outreach • Stability Planning 	All

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	Adjournment	
	1) Next Human Rights Commission meeting is scheduled for November 4th, at 5:30pm (PST)	

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Spokane Human Rights Commission September 2, 2021

Meeting Minutes: Called to order at 5:34

Land Acknowledgment

Public Comment:

Commission Briefing Session:

Commission Members Present: Hayley Harrison, Anwar Peace, Brennan Schreiber, Abigail Baker,

Commission Member Not Present: Moore, Lance Kissler, Jac Archer, CM Wilkerson

Community Members Present: Alex Gibilisco City Council Staff, Travis McAdam, Diane, Joseph Seia, Karen Stromgren, Kiana McKenna, Veta Schlimgen,

September Minutes approved

Discussion Items

1. Chair reports attached to the meeting packet
 - a. Reappointment process for Commissioner Archer has been started
 - b. Treasure State Values, Montana Human Rights Network
 - i. Diane provided history of organization group, working towards joining the Montana Human Rights Network (Mineral County)
 - ii. Focus on education
 - iii. Goals, promote human rights, educate and inform people on the rise of hate groups, oppose groups that restrict human right,
 - iv. Issues, neighborhood group meeting, because of paper, apprehend people until they get there, 1776 to start constitutional, going to school boards and anti-mask
 - v. [Red Pill Festival](#)
 - vi. Better Together – Action a week before Red Hilltop
 - vii. Militia, Far Right,
2. Monaghan Statue Courageous Conversations Planning
 - a. Remove the Monaghan and would like to get the support of commission
 - b. “Anti-Racism is an active process of identifying and eliminating racism by changing systems, organizational structures, policies and practices and attitudes, so that power is redistributed and shared equitably.” NAC International Perspectives
 - c. Plaque calls Samoans as “savages,” often used to justify atrocities committed against indigenous people
 - d. Historical context and justification for it’s removal
 - i. The Monaghan statue and its pediment commemorate a war that was not honorable, and that caused pain and destruction of Sāmoan communities.
 - ii. The *bas-relief* pediment on the statue uses degrading language, perpetuates racist stereotypes, and misrepresents Sāmoan defenders of their land, homes, and resources.

- iii. They serve as a constant reminder of a painful past and thus continue to inflict harm and cause pain to the Sāmoan and the larger Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander community.
 - e. Statue is owned by the City of Spokane both space and statue and impediment
 - f. Petition https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/remove-the-racist-john-r-monaghan-statue-in-downtown-spokane-wa?share=5ac32ef3-8b3a-48cb-bb43-0398a061560a&source=email-share-button&utm_medium=&utm_source=email
- 3. Appointing SHRC liaison to Citizen's Transportation Advisory Board
 - a. Tabled till the next meeting
- 4. Courageous Conversation
 - a. Anwar- envision 3 different events
 - i. Impacted family members that were impacted by police violence
 - ii. Police – Potentially facilitated by Robert Murphy
 - iii. Mental Health
 - iv. Mediator/ facilitator of meeting Bob and co-facilitator and pay them at market rate

The Next Human Rights Commission Meeting scheduled Thursday, October 7th 2021 at 5:30pm. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.



Chair's Report

October 7, 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)
 - Created Facebook event for October meeting.
 - Posted information about utility shutoff moratorium and resources.
 - Posted American Rescue Plan community conversation invitation.
 - Posted Spokesman-Review article re: hiring of Mr. Jarrell Haynes as Civil Rights Officer.
 - Posted Spokesman-Review article on rise of hate crimes.
 - Shared Councilwoman Wilkerson's post re: meeting with Mr. Jarrell Haynes and welcoming him aboard.
- OCR Exploratory Task Force
 - Continued facilitating meetings with this group. The group is looking forward to meeting with Mr. Haynes soon to lay out a plan for moving forward.
- Working with Vice Chair Harrison and an SCSO staff member on scheduling Sheriff Knezovich for the Courageous Conversation series.
- Sent sponsorship request letters to community partners for the Spokane Human Rights Awards. No-Li has agreed to provide a \$1,000 sponsorship. Funds will be handled by the Spokane County Human Rights Task Force.
- Continuing to coordinate appointments and re-appointments of Commissioners with the Mayor's Office.
 - Mayor asked for more than two recommendations for the two at-large vacancies. Based upon our rankings, a third candidate was moved forward for consideration.
 - Mayor's Office has had staffing changes that has slowed down scheduling of meetings/interviews for candidates, as well as Commissioner Archer's reappointment.
 - I've informed the Mayor's Office that I will continue to operate under the assumption that Commissioner Archer will be re-appointment, and therefore, Commissioner Archer will continue to serve until a decision has been made.
 - **We are still recruiting for the third/final at-large vacancy.** One application has been forwarded to me thus far.
- Upon review of the email complaint regarding a Spokane Police Officer, I determined that the concerns and details shared do not fall within Title 18. However, the complaint

was shared with the Office of the Police Ombudsman for further review, should there be any city or department policies or procedures that are not being followed.

- Worked with Vice Chair Harrison to register SHRC for the drive-through Spokane Pride Parade on Oct. 9. VC Harrison is compiling a list of volunteers; we may share the booth with SCHRTF.
- Met with Mr. Haynes on Sept. 22 to help onboard him in his new CRO role. Shared information about the Commission, responsibilities to provide administrative support, information about meetings, and our Office of Civil Rights work.
- Received information on sponsorship opportunities for the Spokane Human Rights Awards and the Sixth Gonzaga International Conference on Hate Studies to be held virtually November 4-6. Will be discussed in Outreach subcommittee update.
- Responded to two media inquiries from the Spokesman-Review. Both articles were posted to our Facebook page.
- Will begin working with city staff to produce business cards for Commissioners Schreibman and Baker.

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		
5/17/2021		\$500.00	\$8,500.00	The Fig Tree, Resource Directory	x	\$500.00
10/6/2021		\$100.00	\$8,400.00	Spokane Pride Booth Registration		
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