

Spokane Human Rights Commission

The Sep 5th, 2024 meeting will provide for in person attendance. The meeting will be held in the City Council Chambers–Lower Level of City Hall, 808 Spokane Falls Blvd. Members of the public, Commission members, City staff, and presenters will still have the option to participate remotely via Teams by clicking the "Meeting Link" on this page or by calling the number provided.

5:30 PM-7:30 PM

Meeting Link

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Land Acknowledgment & Public Comment Period:

5:30 - 5:35 Land Acknowledgement

Public Comment (3 minutes each). Citizens are invited to address the Commission.

Commission Briefing Session:

Outreach

| 5:35 - 5:40 | A. Roll Call & Approval of Consent Agenda | Chair Peace |
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| | Standing Update(s): | |
| 5:40-6:05 | City of Spokane Manager of Housing and Homelessness | Nicolette Ocheltree |
| 6:05-6:30 | Washington Low Income Housing Alliance | Duaa-Rahemaah Hunter |
| 6:30-6:45 | Vote on the finalist for the vacancy on the SHRC | |
| 6:45-7:00 | Committee Updates: | |
| | ExecutiveCivic Impact | |

| Adjournment | |
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| Next Human Rights Commission meeting is scheduled for Oct 3rd, at 5:30pm (PST) | |

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Chair's Report

September 1, 2024

Dear Commissioners,

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

Commission Updates

- The SHRC Chair attended the "Spokane Homeless Coalition" meeting held at the Gathering House Cafe on the morning of 8/1/24. During this meeting there were presentations from: City Council Member Jonathan Bingle & City Council Member Lili Navarrete, and updates from Spokane Valley & other Service Providers. Council Member Navarrete spoke about the "City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing <u>homelessness"</u>, which is based off of the <u>SHRC RESOLUTION</u> 2023-03--A resolution concerning the human rights and basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness that was passed by the Commission on 10/5/23. Council Member Bingle spoke about the "City possibly turning Pine Lodge Corrections Center into a homeless shelter". Also, Council Member Bingle talked about his upcoming "City-wide Sit & Lie' Ordinance".
- On 8/1/24 shortly before noon, the <u>National-News</u> broke the story about the <u>"ACLU sues City of Spokane over its anti-homeless ordinances like the anti-camping law & 'sit-and-lie' laws"</u>, which since this past Spring the SRHC Chair has been part of multiple meetings that the <u>ACLU</u> had with <u>"Homeless Service-Providers"</u> about this matter.
- On 8/1/24 the SHRC Chair was invited & attended a Private-Lunch-Meeting with <u>City Council Member Jonathan Bingle</u> &

- City Council Member Lili Navarrete and other City Council Staff. Topics of the meeting included "City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness", as well as the ramifications of the "ACLU lawsuit against the City of Spokane over its anti-homeless ordinances like the anti-camping law & 'sit-and-lie' laws".
- o On the morning of 8/2/24 the SHRC Chair was invited & attended a Private-Meeting with <u>City Council Staff</u>, <u>City Legal</u>, & the <u>Office of Civil Rights</u>, <u>Equity</u>, & <u>Inclusion</u> at City Hall. This meeting was about the <u>"City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness"</u>, which at this meeting we created a "Framework & Flowchart" of how the complaint-process will work. The "Framework & Flowchart" will be used to brief the <u>full City Council</u> for their vote on the ordinance on 8/12/24 at the City Council meeting.
- On 8/2/24 the SHRC Chair was invited & attended a Private-Lunch-Meeting with City Council Staff. Topics of the meeting included <u>"City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness"</u>, as well as the ramifications of the <u>"ACLU lawsuit against the City of Spokane over its anti-homeless ordinances like the anti-camping law & **'sit-and-lie'** laws".</u>
- The SHRC Vice-Chair sent an email to the <u>Mayor's Office</u> on 8/5/24, in which this email conveyed the fact that the SHRC had *unanimous voted* on 7/3 to recommend <u>Commissioner</u> <u>Livia Koh</u> to the Mayor for reappointment as the Commission's designated Youth Representative.
- A <u>KREM-TV Reporter</u> reached out to the Commission, in order to interview a Commissioner about a story on <u>"Spokane police will use new \$164,000 drone to fight crime"</u>. The Reporter was then referred to speak with the SHRC Vice-Chair, who last year did an interview in a news story on

- "Special Report: Inside the Spokane County Sheriff's Office's Real Time Crime Center".
- The SHRC Chair reached out to <u>"City of Spokane Manager of Housing and Homelessness Initiatives"</u>, <u>Nicolette Ocheltree</u>, in order to have the <u>"City of Spokane Manager of Housing and Homelessness Initiatives"</u> give a presentation to the Commission at the September meeting. The presentation would be about that organizations' work in our community <u>regarding initiatives underway to reduce homelessness in Spokane and some of the challenges being faced such as the lack of housing in our community</u>. <u>Nicolette Ocheltree</u> agreed to this presentation.
- The SHRC Chair reached out to "Washington Low Income" Housing Alliance", Statewide Organizer Duaa-Rahemaah Hunter, in order to have the "Washington Low Income Housing Alliance" give a presentation to the Commission at the September meeting. The presentation would be about that organizations' work in our community regarding changing public policy so that people in Washington of all races, ethnicities, abilities, genders, & identities can live in safe, healthy homes they can afford. By doing this through educating decision-makers, organizing, and amplifying the voices and priorities of people and communities most impacted by housing instability and homelessness. With the vision of an equitable & racially just Washington where each & every one of us lives in a healthy, affordable home in a thriving community of our choice. Duaa-Rahemaah Hunter agreed to this presentation.
- The SHRC City Council Liaison was sent an email by the SHRC Chair on the topic of the SHRC- RESOLUTION 2024-001 adopted by the Commission on 8/1/24, which then that Resolution will be sent to the rest of the City Council for their consideration. SHRC- RESOLUTION 2024-001---A resolution proposing amendments to SMC 04.10.020 to assist the Spokane Human Rights Commission in the recruitment of

- <u>applicants for, and retention of members in, the Youth</u> <u>Representative position</u>.
- Spokane Community Against Racism (SCAR) reached out to the SHRC Chair, in order to invite them to be a guestpresenter for SCAR's "Spokane Humanizing Homelessness Webinar" on 8/9/24. This webinar, which the Chair agreed to do, was on supporting "City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness"; as well as discussions on other issues pertaining to Homelessness in Spokane.
- o On 8/12/24 the SHRC Chair testified at the City Council Meeting, regarding the 2nd reading of City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness; amending sections 9.02.050, 18.01.010, 18.01.020, 18.01.030 of the Spokane Municipal Code; and enacting a new Section 18.05.040 of the Spokane Municipal Code. This City Council Ordinance is based off of the SHRC RESOLUTION 2023-03--A resolution concerning the human rights and basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness, which was passed by the Commission on 10/5/23. During the 2nd reading of City Council ORD C36549 and after public testimony the City Council at 1st made a motion to "Indefinitely-Defer" the Ordinance. But after much discussion the City Council decided to only do a "2-week **Deferral**", which in the meantime the City Council suggested they would be doing "Town Hall Meetings" that the SHRC would be a part of.
- During the 8/12/24 <u>City Council Meeting</u> the SHRC Chair reached out to <u>Gavin Cooley</u>, who was also at the meeting. Mr. Cooley had given a presentation to the SHRC on 8/3/23 about the <u>"Regional Homeless Authority"</u>, plus at the time he was supportive of the "Homeless Bill of Rights". <u>Currently Mr. Cooley is the new CEO of the recently formed Spokane Business Association (SBA)</u>, which this organization opposes the "Homeless Bill of Rights". During the conversation with

- the SHRC Chair & Mr. Cooley at City Hall on 8/12/24, the Chair offered to do a presentation to the SBA about the City Council ORD C36549 and Mr. Cooley welcomed the idea.
- The <u>Downtown Spokane Partnership</u> (<u>DSP</u>), also known as the <u>Downtown Business Association</u>, reached out to the SHRC Chair to invite them to be a panel-member for a "*Town-Hall-Meeting*" only with <u>DSP members</u> on 8/20/24. This meeting would be about <u>City Council ORD C36549--</u> "<u>Homeless Bill of Rights</u>", which the Chair agreed to the meeting.
- The Mayor's Office reached out to the SHRC Executive Committee on 8/19/24, in which they conveyed that the Mayor's Office will be going forward with reappointing Commissioner Livia Koh to another 1-year term as the SHRC Youth Representative. Commissioner Koh's reappointment is scheduled to go before City Council on 9/9/24.
- The <u>City Council</u> on 8/19/24 during the 3:30pm <u>City Council</u> <u>Briefing Session</u> "*Indefinitely-Deferred*" <u>City Council ORD</u> <u>C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness</u>; amending sections 9.02.050, 18.01.010, 18.01.020, 18.01.030 of the Spokane Municipal Code; and enacting a new Section 18.05.040 of the Spokane Municipal Code. No reason was given for this decision.
- The <u>Downtown Spokane Partnership</u> (<u>DSP</u>), <u>"canceled"</u> their invitation to the SHRC Chair to be a panel-member for a "<u>Town-Hall-Meeting</u>" only with <u>DSP members</u> on 8/20/24. This happen shortly after the "<u>Indefinite-Deferral</u>" of <u>City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness.</u>
- On 8/19/24 the SHRC Chair testified (as an individual) at the <u>City</u>
 <u>Council Meeting</u>, regarding a resolution <u>RES 2024-0082—</u>
 <u>Approving the appointment of Kevin Hall as the Police Chief</u>
 <u>for the Spokane Police Department</u>. <u>During the testimony of</u>
 <u>the SHRC Chair, they welcomed the new Police Chief to</u>

- Spokane while also highlighting the challenges he will face with SPD being the 2nd Deadliest Police-Force in the Nation.
- Mayor Lisa Brown reached out to the SHRC Chair on 8/20/24, in order to invite them to the <u>"Swearing-In</u> <u>Ceremony" for new Police Chief Kevin Hall being held on</u> 8/26/24.
- A reporter from <u>KLXY-TV</u> on 8/22/24 reached out to the SHRC Chair to do an interview for a news story about <u>"Spokane ordinance to help homeless deferred, facing uncertain future vote"</u>. Earlier that day the <u>Inlander Newspaper</u> had published a story about this same topic, <u>"Spokane City Council pumps brakes on homeless antidiscrimination law after pushback from business interests and Mayor Brown"</u>.
- On the evening of 8/22/24 the SHRC Chair reached out to Gavin Cooley, in order to follow up with him about their conversation they had on 8/12/25 at City Hall. Mr. Cooley had given a presentation to the SHRC on 8/3/23 about the "Regional Homeless Authority", plus at the time he was supportive of the "Homeless Bill of Rights". Currently Mr. Cooley is the new CEO of the recently formed Spokane Business Association (SBA), which this organization opposes the "Homeless Bill of Rights". During that conversation 8/12/24 with the SHRC Chair & Mr. Cooley, the Chair offered to do a presentation to the SBA about the City Council ORD C36549. Mr. Cooley is still looking into this idea and said they would get back to the SHRC Chair soon.
- On 8/23/24 the SHRC Chair had a private meeting with Spokane Neighborhood Action Partners (SNAP) Director of Housing Services, John Hoover, and 3 Residents that live in SNAP owned buildings. This meeting happened after the SHRC Chair had email SNAP Leadership twice, in which those emails expressed deep concerns after learning from residents & staff of SNAP owned properties about how SNAP was currently operating their low-income apartment buildings. The SHRC Chair 1st reached out to SNAP on

5/20/24 after a resident had reached out to the Chair about SNAP removing AC units from their SNAP owned properties where low-income, disabled & senior people live at. In that email the SHRC Chair relayed the fact of the upcoming City Council's "Heat Health & Safety Ordinance ORD-C36523" which would guarantee a tenant's right to install and use a "portable cooling device" of their choice, provided that its use does not violate building code or damage the premises and follows state and federal law. In the Chair's 2nd email on 6/20/24, which was about SNAP "re-keying" the apartments of a whole building without giving a proper "48-hour Notice to Enter" those units and this then resulted in several residents reaching out to the SHRC Chair to let them know that SNAP had locked them out of their apartments for a night. Then on 7/15/24 SNAP's Director of Housing Services & the SHRC Chair had a private meeting, in which a meaningful conversation was had by all — while also passing along to SNAP's Director of Housing Services "handwritten witness-statements from residents" of SNAP owned properties. Also, during this meeting SNAP's Director of Housing Services acknowledged that taking over the property management duties from the last property management company has been challenging for the organization, but they are committed to doing better going forward. Plus, during the meeting, the SHRC Chair & the SNAP Director of Housing Services shared an "Action-Plan" together on how to improve the "safety & wellbeing" of those living at SNAP owned properties while also enhancing the "human rights & dignity of our low-income neighbors". At the meeting on the 23rd those Residents of SNAP properties were able to express their concerns and then SNAP shared their "Action-Plan" with the Residents, in which during the meeting a meaningful conversation was had by all.

- o Held an SHRC Executive Committee Meeting on 8/24/24.
- On 8/26/24 the SHRC Chair attended the <u>"Swearing-In</u> <u>Ceremony" for new Police Chief Kevin Hall</u>.

- <u>City Council Staff</u> reached out to the SHRC Chair, in order to ask the Chair to be a part of the City Council Press
 Conference on 9/5/24 the topic of <u>City Council ORD</u>
 <u>C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness</u>. And a prep-meeting will be held at City Hall on 9/3/24, which the Chair will attend.
- Regularly communicated with the <u>Mayor's Office</u> last month about the process of filling 1 vacancy on the Commission and the <u>SHRC Executive Committee</u> wishes to thank this new <u>Mayor's Office</u> for their efforts to better collaborate with <u>Commissions & Boards</u> on filling the vacancies that have happened during the last administration.
- SHRC City Council Liaison Councilmember Lili Navarrete & their staff reached out to the SHRC Chair several times during the month, in order to update the Chair about how the City Council plans on addressing SHRC RESOLUTION 2023-03--A resolution concerning the human rights and basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Regularly communicated with the <u>SHRC Executive</u>
 <u>Committee</u> last month about *upcoming agenda items or other Commission issues*.

* Office of Civil Rights, Equity, & Inclusion (OCREI)

 Regularly communicated with the <u>OCREI Director Jerrall</u> <u>Haynes</u> last month, about upcoming agenda items or other Commission issues.

* Social Media (Facebook)

- Created the September 5, 2024 SHRC meeting event. As well as posting the Agenda in the comment post section.
- Re-posted a post from the <u>"ACLU of Washington"</u>, in which the post was about, <u>"The ACLU of Washington and Jewels</u> <u>Helping Hands are suing the city of Spokane over anticamping and sit-and-lie laws, which violate the state</u> <u>constitution and impose cruel punishment on people</u> <u>experiencing homelessness"</u>.

- Re-posted a post from the <u>"Carl Maxey Center"</u>, in which the post was about their <u>Video-Reel on them getting a new van</u> <u>for the Center</u> which the van is painted with the faces of <u>Carl Maxey & Sandy Williams</u>.
- Posted several times about <u>"The Way To Justice"</u>
 <u>Community-Celebration event held on 8/10/24 at 12-3:30pm at Underhill park.</u>
- Posted several times an "Action-Notice" for the public to testify at City Council on 8/12/24 to support the <u>City Council</u> <u>ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights &</u> <u>basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness</u>.
- Re-posted a post from the <u>Spokane City Council</u>, in which the post was about <u>"Saving the Date 8/28/24 when Council</u> <u>President Betsy Wilkerson will host a commemorative-</u> <u>celebration of Spokane Mayor Jim Chase's portrait unveiling</u> <u>in the Chase Gallery"</u> at City Hall. <u>Mayor Jim Chase was the</u> <u>1st Black man to become mayor in Spokane from 1982-1986</u>.
- Posted a news story from <u>Range Media</u>, which the story was about <u>"What Spokane's newest homelessness ordinance would actually do"</u>. Also included in the comment section was an "Action-Notice" for the public to testify at City Council on 8/12/24 to support the <u>City Council ORD C36549—an ordinance relating to the human rights & basic dignity of individuals experiencing homelessness</u>.
- Posted the <u>SHRC--RESOLUTION 2024-001</u> adopted on 8/1/24, which the <u>resolution was proposing amendments to</u> <u>SMC 04.10.020 to assist the Spokane Human Rights</u> <u>Commission in the recruitment of applicants for, and</u> <u>retention of members in, the Youth Representative position</u>.
- Posted a news story from <u>Spokesman-Review Newspaper</u>, which the story was about <u>"Spokane City Council delays vote</u> <u>on homeless anti-discrimination law amid outrage"</u>.
- Posted a news story from <u>KREM-TV</u>, which the story was about <u>"Spokane City Council focuses on homelessness in</u> <u>return from two-week break"</u>.

- Posted a news story from <u>KLXY-TV</u>, which the story was about <u>"Free legal clinics available in Spokane help with immigration, eviction and other legal issues"</u>.
- Re-posted a post several times from <u>Spokane Neighborhood</u> <u>Action Partners (SNAP)</u>, in which the post was about <u>SNAP</u> <u>was recently filmed by the talented team at Viewpoint</u> <u>Project with Host Dennis Quaid for an upcoming episode</u>.
- Posted a news story from the <u>Inlander Newspaper</u>, which the story was about <u>"Pedestrian interference' tickets spiked during Expo celebrations; meanwhile, Spokane Police are now enforcing the Proposition 1 camping ban"</u>. Also included in the comment section was a 2/1/23 <u>Spokesman-Review Newspaper Op-Ed</u> from the SHRC Chair on the need of <u>"Repealing Washington's jaywalking laws"</u>.
- Posted a meme of a <u>Rev. Desmond Tutu</u> quote; <u>"My father used to say, 'Don't raise your voice; improve your argument'</u>. Also included in the comment section was the <u>full text of Rev. Desmond Tutu speech on 11/23/2004, which included his quote</u>.
- Posted a news story from the <u>Inlander Newspaper</u>, which the story was about <u>"Spokane City Council pumps brakes on homeless anti-discrimination law after pushback from business interests and Mayor Brown"</u>.
- Posted a news story from <u>KLXY-TV</u>, which the story was about <u>"Spokane ordinance to help homeless deferred, facing</u> uncertain <u>future vote"</u>.
- o Re-posted a post from the <u>City of Spokane-Municipal</u> <u>Government and City of Spokane Mayor's Office</u>, in which the post was about <u>"Today Kevin Hall was sworn in as Chief of Police for the City of Spokane Police Department. Chief Hall comes to Spokane from Tucson, Arizona where he served with the Tucson Police Department for more than 30 years. He has been lauded for his innovative approaches to community-based violent crime reduction, alternative staffing and response models, traffic safety planning, as well</u>

- as ethical and equitable budgeting. Welcome to Spokane, Chief Hall!"
- Re-posted a post from the <u>Council President Betsy Wilkerson</u>, in which the post was about <u>"Congratulations, Chief Kevin Hall! What a beautiful ceremony celebrating our new chief of police. Thank you to all of the community members and subjects matter experts who donated their time and talent that led up to this day."
 </u>
- Posted a news story from <u>KREM-TV</u>, which the story was about <u>"Spokane honors legacy of Jim Chase, city's only Black</u> <u>Mayor, with portrait unveiled at City Hall"</u>. Also included in the comment section was a news story from <u>KREM-TV</u> <u>"Breaking barriers and building bridges: Honoring the enduring impact of Mayor Jim Chase on Spokane's history"</u>.
- Posted a *Press-Release* from the <u>City Council</u>, in which this is about the <u>City's 1st Roundtable-Discussion on the upcoming City Council ordinances on Homelessness</u>. This 1st
 Roundtable will be held on 9/10/24 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Central Library in room Events B. The subsequent meetings will occur every 3 weeks.
- Re-posted a post from the <u>Northwest African American</u>
 <u>Museum</u>, in which the post was about <u>"#OnThisDay in 1963, 250,000 individuals gathered together at the Lincoln Memorial to protest racial discrimination and to show support for major civil rights legislation that was pending in Congress."
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- Posted a news story from <u>KHQ-TV</u>, which the story was about <u>"Spokane City Council seeks community input on upcoming homelessness ordinances"</u>.
- Re-posted a post from the <u>Seattle Community Police</u> <u>Commission</u>, in which the post was about <u>"Today we honor the memory of First Nations woodcarver John T. Williams, who was shot and killed by a Seattle police officer on this day 14 years ago. His death (and numerous other high-profile cases of excessive use of force against people of color) galvanized the community and culminated in CPC's</u>

other victims of police misconduct in everything we do" Also included in the comment section was a news story from the Seattle Times "10 years ago a police officer shot woodcarver John T. Williams. The grief reverberates today".

SHRC Meeting

01 AUGUST 2024 / 5:35 PM-8:15PM / CITY COUNCIL

Attendees

COMMISSIONERS: Anwar Peace, Maria Hernandez-Peck, Brennan Schreibman, Kurtis Robinson, Livia Koh, Susan McFadden, Alex Knox, Haley Harrison

Land Acknowledgement

Public Comment

Andres Grageda, legislative assistant to Councilmember Navarette: discusses Homeless Rights Bill deferral + next steps

- CM Navarette discusses ordinance + push for it to pass
- procedure for investigating discrimination may need to be strengthened
 - Jerrall says OCREI has authority over state law, specific city laws are less common

Ivan Urnovitz: comments on Monaghan Statue

- pushing for respect, recognition, reconciliation
- Chair Peace redirects Urnovitz to City Council
- Commissioner Robinson says reconciliation requires initial harmony

Justice Forral: bringing up decolonizing organizing, a workshop they lead

- says SHRC has had impacts on community

Agenda

Presentation from Alex Gibilisco: Manager of Equity + Inclusion for City Council Office

- brings up investigation on belonging in Spokane
- brings in idea that the main problem is "othering" and that everyone belongs
- defines belonging, talks about 3 major points of workshop attended
 - Places of Belonging
 - Belonging Economies

- Long Bridging
- tools to use could include targeted universalism, building a shared narrative
- emphasizes community engagement with strong connection and communication
- there is a community plan to make policies more accessible
- Coming Up: keeping families together is up for vote, holiday recognition ordinance, potential gathering with state office of Equity

Interviewing Candidates

Earl Moore

- served on commission previously
- familiar with mission statement, says has a good understanding
 - she feels like SHRC was a good time in her life
 - says she believes in diversity
- strives to be involved in politics
- grew up on a reservation with her Native mother
- senior population of Spokane is over 17%
- 14.2% of older adults live in poverty
- Commissioner Koh asks what Moore has learned from running for office
 - Moore states that she feels like both sides of the political spectrum are necessary
- Commissioner Peace thanks for service, asks about her support for former police chief
 - states that she supported the chief, but did not think the organizations that stood against him "sucked"
- Commissioner Robinson asks why now?
 - Moore states she has more time now, as well as more awareness

Justice Forral

- does public outreach + service, feels like it is a drop in the bucket
- believes in commission, believes in restorative justice
- won a SNAP equity award
- Commissioner McFadden thanks for service, asks if Forral would feel like the commission process is too slow?
 - Forral doesn't expect immediacy
- Commissioner Robinson asks why now?
 - Forral states that they are applying now because they are at a good place, with good connections
 - thinks they are at the right place to do the job
- Forral states that despite their controversial takes, they are always invited back, and that everyone deserves to belong to this community

Wealthy Vue

- parents were from Laos, heritage drives his value
- believes in everyone having rights to their own opinions, honor, protecting, and serving
- Gprep, Gonzaga grad, ASU Legal + Harvard alum
- Leader in the Hmong community, and wants to represent and serve
- wants to see community grow
- Commissioner Schreibman asks why this commission?
 - Vue states that there's no place like Spokane, loves working with the underrepresented, loves spokane
- Commissioner McFadden asks what the immigrant/Hmong community wants to work towards
 - Vue states that they want to be included and he wants to amplify Hmong voices

Commissioners will send in their top 2 recommendations by next Thursday

Resolution on Amending the SHRC Ordinance

- increases age limit for youth representative to 18
- increases youth commission to multiple representatives
- adds an adult member of commission
- Commissioner McFadden suggests extending terms for youth representatives to 2 years

Commissioner Harrison motions to pass ordinance with suggested changes, seconded by Commissioner Robinson, passed.

Meeting Adjourned