

Adjournment
<ol> <li>Next Human Rights Commission meeting is scheduled for Sep 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm (PST)</li> </ol>

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# SPOKANE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

June 5, 2025, 5:44pm-7:44pm

**ATTENDANCE:** Commissioners Koh, Schreibman, Peace, Hernandez-Peck, Forral, Robinson, McFadden

**ABSENT: N/A** 

### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

**Consent Agenda Approved:** Chair Schreibman suggests moving presentation to beginning of new business, following can run through the rest of agenda with the addition of Outreach Committee discussion, update certain items—moved, seconded, and passed

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Nicolette Ocheltree: thanking SHRC for bringing awareness, a public testimony is open for ordinance regarding Title 18
- Debbie Novak: discussing legislation pushing for independent investigations of police violence, Spokane (region 6) does not have independent investigations

# Dr. Scott Finnie presenting The Meaning and Significance of Juneteenth: Mending a Major Tear in the American Tapestry

- Equal justice under law is part of America
- Juneteenth is a means to interrupt the trend of injustice under law on many issues
- Emancipation Proclamation only included the states fighting against the Union
- Juneteenth celebrates when the last slaves in the US were freed on June 19th, 1865
- Juneteenth celebrates freedom, represents how freedom and justice in the US has always been delayed for Black people
- A shared historical consciousness for America is important

### Pathways to the Beloved Community:

- 1. Listening
- 2. Validating
- 3. The Spark of Trust
- 4. Mutual Lenses of a Shared Historical Consciousness
- 5. The Emergence of Mutuality
- 6. Beloved Community

### Leaders as Change Agents

- 1. Absorb Chaos
- 2. Instill Calm
- 3. Project Hope

### **NEW COMMISSION APPOINTEES**

- Secretary Koh delegates signing authority to Chair Schreibman
- Discussions of interviewees
- Commission recommending Hannah Roulston for Youth Commissioner
  - Peace, Hernandez-Peck, McFadden, Koh, Schreibman, Robinson yes
  - Forral abstaining
- Commission recommending Boyd Foster for Commissioner
  - Peace, Hernandez-Peck, McFadden, Schreibman, Robinson yes
  - Forral, Koh abstaining
- Commission recommending Wealthy Vue for Commissioner
  - Peace, Hernandez-Peck, McFadden, Schreibman, Robinson yes
  - Forral, Koh abstaining

## **Meeting Ends**

- Commissioner Forral brings up note of grants and funding for SHRC for paid staff