

CITY OF NORMAN, OK HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MEETING

Municipal Building, Executive Conference Room 201 West Gray St., Norman, OK 73069 Monday, March 27, 2023 at 5:30 PM

MINUTES

The Human Rights Commission of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in the Municipal Complex located at 201 West Gray St. on March 27, 2023, at 5:30 p.m., and notice and agenda of the meeting were duly posted 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT

Commission Chair Jackie Farley Commission Vice-Chair Aisha Ali Commissioner Chris Nanny Commissioner Christopher Tallbear Commissioner Michael Ridgeway Commissioner Stephen Machovic

ABSENT

Commissioner Samuel Woodfork Commissioner Michael Kihega Commissioner Dr. Binbin Weng

STAFF PRESENT

Maylon Wesley, Chief Diversity & Equity Officer Anthony Purinton, Assistant City Attorney Sarah Encinias, Legal Admin Tech

OTHERS PRESENT

John Scamehorn

ROLL CALL

A quorum was present.

MINUTES

 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 27, 2023, REGULAR MEETING

Motion was made by Commissioner Ridgeway to approve the Minutes for the February 27, 2023, regular meeting and the motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Nanny. A vote was taken with the following results: all approved, and none opposed. The Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

ACTION ITEMS

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW CHIEF DIVERSITY & EQUITY OFFICER

New Chief Diversity & Equity Officer, Maylon Wesley, introduced himself to the Commission and held a brief discussion about general goals he wishes to accomplish.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Co-Chair Ali said she and Commissioners Nanny, Tallbear and Ridgeway would continue work on the recommendations by determining what items have been accomplished, what is currently being worked on and what future goals should be. Also, they hope to give general items more definition with a measurable goal and to create a working document that is continually updated with current progress as it is made. They will continue working on an update for the HRC meeting in April.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

Mr. Purinton said he would have training to review HRC duties at the April meeting. Discussion could also include the process of suggesting proclamations and a more in depth review of the Inclusive Community Subcommittee process.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.