



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

AGENDA

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

7 p.m.

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1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Business from the public
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4. Approval of January 25, 2021, minutes. [Pages 2-3]
5. Scheduled business (Chair)
 - a. Statistical transparency of policing report—Police Chief (Staff)
 - b. Historic Preservation Month (May) (Chair)
 - c. HRC project updates (Chair)
 - d. HRC event debriefs and upcoming events from the HRC calendar [Pages 5-6] (Chair)
 - e. Highlights from this meeting for 2022 annual report preparation (Chair)
6. Business from the commission
7. Staff updates (Staff)
8. Next meeting date: Tuesday, March 22, 2022
9. Adjournment

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HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

MINUTES

January 25, 2022

7:00 p.m.

Remote

Approved: DRAFT

Call to Order

Chair Stephanie Newton called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Jamie Jones, Miriam Cummins, Stephanie Newton, Robyn Davis, and Greg Soriano.

Members absent: Keith Kolkow (unexcused).

Election of Officers

7:02 p.m.

Commissioner Jamie Jones introduced herself to the commission.

Nomination: Commissioner Miriam Cummins nominated herself for the position of Vice-Chair. Hearing no other nominations, Cummins was elected to the position of Vice-Chair 5-0.

Nomination: Commissioner Stephanie Newton nominated herself for the position of Chair. Hearing no other nominations, Newton was elected to the position of Chair 5-0.

Business from the Public

7:05 p.m.

None.

Approval of November 16, 2021 Minutes

7:06 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Robyn Davis moved to approve the November 16, 2021, minutes as presented. Commissioner Greg Soriano seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

2021 Annual Report Presentation to City Council

7:07 p.m.

Commissioners agreed to schedule their annual report to the city council on February 23, 2022. Parks & Recreation Director Kim Lyddane suggested a length of 10-15 minutes for the presentation.

HRC proposed project updates

7:08 p.m.

Newton: Farmers Market

Newton said she plans on the HRC hosting an information table on Saturdays at the farmers' market during the 2022 season.

Cummins: Food Trucks

Cummins said she plans on delaying the food truck event she was going to plan until later in the year due to COVID-19.

Soriano spoke about a cultural competency class he took as a training for work. He suggested the HRC host a similar class for the community. Cummins said she would like to have conversations like this one about justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion. Soriano offered to recruit Dr. Kohli, who taught his class, to speak.

2021 Human Relations Awards

7:16 p.m.

Since the 2020 Human Relations Awards were delayed and happened only recently, it was decided to start the 2021 awards process with promotion in July, application deadline in October, voting in November, and presenting the awards in December.

HRC Event Debriefs and Upcoming Events from HRC Calendar

7:18 p.m.

Newton shared a flier* for an upcoming event on January 29, 2022, Community & Immunity Day Fair. Newton asked that commissioners and the City help promote the event.

Highlights From this Meeting for 2022 Annual Report Preparation

7:21 p.m.

The election of officers and the addition of Jones to the commission will be the report's highlights for this meeting.

Business from the Commission

7:21 p.m.

Davis spoke about the video project of former commissioner Juan Meave and suggested that the commission put together posts highlighting various food carts in the community. Davis suggested the posts contain interviews with the owners and said it could lead into Cummins' idea for the food cart event.

Lyddane suggested including a bingo or passport element to highlighting the food trucks and suggested that the Chamber of Commerce might be a community partner for this effort. Davis and Jones agreed to become a subcommittee to work on this idea, and present information at the next meeting.

Soriano said he is thinking about organizing another community walk, perhaps around Linn-Benton Community College (LBCC). Newton noted an upcoming multicultural fair at LBCC and Lyddane suggested Soriano coordinate with LBCC's new Executive Director for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Jason Dorsette.

The group would like to promote the HRC meetings and ask members of the public to share ideas. Cummins asked for the City to promote the meetings on social media and suggested creating a promotional flier in both English and Spanish.

In review of the 2020 census and the Statistical Transparency of Policing Report, Newton noted that Black and Latino members of the community accounted for a disproportionately high percentage of police stops. The group decided to invite Police Chief Marcia Harnden to speak at the next commission meeting.

Staff Updates

7:32 p.m.

Lyddane noted that Cummins and Soriano were both reappointed to the commission and that there is a vacancy which is to be appointed by Councilor Bessie Johnson.

Davis noted that she was just elected as the Vice-Chair of the Community Development Commission.

Lyddane said the City is creating and updating an American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan and is looking for people identifying as members of the ADA community to be a part of the City's advisory group. Lyddane also said the City is developing a Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan and will be soliciting feedback about what people believe are the city's biggest vulnerabilities.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Chair Newton adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Gabriel Shepherd
Recorder

Kim Lyddane
Parks & Recreation Director

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@cityofalbany.net.*

Calendar of Events

Thursdays	Community Meals (Take-out meals)	5:00 p.m.	First Christian Church
January 2022			
01/13/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
01/17/2022	MLK Day		
01/25/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
01/25/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	Virtual event
01/29/2022	Community & Immunity Day Fair		
February 2022			
02/10/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
02/15/2022	Citizen Advisory Groups training	3:00 p.m.	Virtual (recorded)
02/22/2020	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
02/22/2021	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
02/23/2022	Present annual report at the city council meeting	6:00 p.m.	Virtual event
02/25/2022	LBCC Unity Celebration (last week of Feb. or first week of March)	9:00 a.m.	
March 2022			
03/10/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
03/23/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
03/29/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
April 2022			
04/11/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
04/26/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
04/26/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
May 2022			
	Mental Health Month		
	Historical Preservation Month		
05/12/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
05/19/2022	HEART to Heart Resource Fair (3rd Thursday in May)		
05/24/2022	HRC meeting		
05/30/2022	Memorial Day events		
05/31/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
June 2022			
	Juneteenth Celebration (Corvallis/Albany NAACP presents)		
06/09/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
06/28/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
	LGBTQ Rally/March		Linn County Courthouse & Downtown Albany
06/30/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
	Safety Camp for kids entering grades 4-6		
July 2022			
	Nominations open for 2022 HR Award		
07/14/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany	6:30 p.m.	
	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	Monteith Riverpark
07/26/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
07/26/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
August 2022			
	Midsummer Arts Festival	10:00 a.m.	Monteith Riverpark
	Summer Sounds	7:00 p.m.	Monteith Riverpark
08/02/2022	National Night Out Event (First Tuesday in August)	5:30 p.m.	
	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	Monteith Riverpark
08/06/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/11/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
	Summer Sounds		
	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	Monteith Riverpark
08/13/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
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08/20/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/23/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
08/20/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/30/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	

September 2022

09/03/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/08/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
09/10/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/17/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
	Festival Latino	noon-4:00 p.m.	Monteith Riverpark
	Linn-Benton Veteran Stand Down		
09/24/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/27/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
09/27/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	

October 2022

10/3-9/2021	Mental Illness Awareness week		
10/01/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/08/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/13/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
10/15/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/22/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/25/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
10/25/2022	HRC meeting	5:00 p.m.	
10/29/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/31/2022	Deadline for 2022 HR Award nominations		

November 2022

	Annual Summit on Homelessness		
11/05/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/10/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
11/11/2022	Veterans Day Memorial Service	8:30 a.m.	Timber Linn Park
11/11/2022	Veterans Day Parade	12:30 p.m.	
11/12/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/22/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
11/19/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/26/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/29/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	

December 2022

	Present HR Awards at City Council meeting		
12/08/2022	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
12/27/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
12/27/2022	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	
	Homeless Persons' Memorial Service	5:30 p.m.	