



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

AGENDA

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

This meeting will be conducted virtually. At 6:30 p.m., join the meeting from your computer or tablet by clicking the link below:

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1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Business from the public:
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 - 3) *Appear in person at the meeting and register to speak.*
4. Approval of April 25, 2023, minutes [Pages 3-4]
5. Scheduled business
 - a. Guest speaker regarding Juneteenth Celebration: Wendy Sutton, NAACP Community Coordination Chair
 - b. Human Relations Commission's name
 - c. Presenting 2022 annual report
 - d. Human Relations Award [Pages 5]

- e. HRC project updates
 - i. Festival Latino subcommittee report
 - ii. Coffee with a commissioner
 - iii. Community walk
- f. Event debriefs and potential event involvement [Pages 6-7]
- 6. Business from the members
- 7. Staff updates
- 8. Next meeting date: Tuesday, June 27, 2023
- 9. Adjournment

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HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

MINUTES

April 25, 2023

6:30 p.m.

VIRTUAL

Approved: DRAFT

Call to Order

Staff liaison Kim Lyddane called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Robyn Davis, Jamie Jones, Greg Soriano, Allyson Dean, Elyn Fisher, and Keith Kolkow (arrived at 6:48 p.m.)

Members absent: Miriam Cummins (excused)

Business from the public

6:35 p.m.

There was no business from the public.

Approval of February 28, 2023, minutes

Motion: Commissioner Robyn Davis moved to approve the February 28, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Greg Soriano seconded the motion, which passed 5-0. (Commissioner Keith Kolkow arrived after the motion was passed.)

Presenting 2022 annual report

6:36 p.m.

Lyddane will schedule this for a City Council meeting in early June.

Human Relations Award

6:37 p.m.

The nominees were reviewed. Each commissioner ranked the nominees in their category, and the winners were determined.

HRC project updates

7:01 p.m.

Kolkow and Davis attended a Festival Latino committee meeting. The committee would like the HRC to recommend to the City Council that the City support the festival. As things stand now, it will not be feasible to hold the festival this year, and it is being planned for next year. Kolkow requested that Lyddane set up a meeting with the city manager and a couple of councilors to discuss options ahead of attending a council meeting.

Commissioner Jamie Jones will investigate holding a Coffee with a Commissioner event sometime in May at Linn Benton Community College's coffee shop. Commissioner Allyson Dean would like to be involved.

For the community walk project, Soriano would like to include people who are in situations that leave them isolated. The trails on the walk have wheelchair access. Commissioner Elyn Fisher agreed to invite representatives from both the police and sheriff's departments since she attends meetings with the departments' members. She will also ask the police department if their K9 unit could be involved.

Soriano suggested coordinating with a food truck vendor for the event and asking the walk participants to bring food or school supplies which could be donated to Fish of Albany.

HRC event debriefs and potential event involvement

No debriefs were given.

Business from the commission

To ensure that there will be a quorum for a meeting and to give enough time to cancel if there is not, the group agreed to RSVP by 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before the meeting. Commissioners will RSVP by replying to all on the agenda email sent to them ahead of the meeting. Recorder Burrese will send out a recurring calendar invite to the group for the Friday RSVP deadline.

Staff updates

There were no updates.

Next meeting date

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, May 23, 2023.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Chair Kolkow adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Gina Burrese
Recorder

Kim Lyddane
Staff Liaison

Human Relations Award 2022

Process

- Two categories
 - Individual
 - Organization or business
- Publicity seeking nominations
 - News release which gives a nomination deadline
 - Posting on City's website with nomination forms in both English and Spanish
 - Provide United Way, Love INC, and Chamber with the nomination form and the news release for distribution via their networks
- Applications are shared at an HRC meeting.
- Selections are made through a vote at a regular HRC meeting
 - Selects award recipient for both categories (receives award)
 - Selects runner-up for both categories (receives certificate)
- City staff orders award(s) and prints certificates (HRC decides what certificates will say)
 - Takes 2-3 weeks to receive proof, approve proof, and then receive awards
- Invite finalists to attend city council meeting
- HRC presents the awards and certificates at a city council meeting
 - HRC representative gives foundational introduction that sets the stage for public understanding of the award's purpose.
 - HRC representatives introduce the finalists and describes why they were chosen and then presents the awards and certificates.

Time Schedule

- **July 2022:** Nomination forms posted
- **January 15, 2023 (EXTENDED):** Nomination forms due by 5:00 p.m.
- **April 25, 2023:** vote during the regular meeting
 - Selects award recipient for the two categories
 - Selects runners-up for the two categories
- **June 21, 2023:** Present awards at City council meeting
 - Following the council meeting, issue news release announcing the award recipients and provide photos, if available, to *Democrat-Herald*.

Calendar of Events

Thursdays	Community take-out meals	5:00 p.m.	First Christian Church
January 2023			
01/12/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
01/15/2023	HR Award nomination deadline		
01/16/2023	MLK Peace Breakfast	9:00 a.m.	OSU Campus
01/16/2023	MLK Peace March	11:00 a.m.	OSU Campus
01/24/2023	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	Virtual event
01/31/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
February 2023			
Saturdays	Kids for the Culture celebrating black history month		Main Library
02/09/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
02/27/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
02/27/2023	HRC meeting	7:00 p.m.	Virtual event
02/28/2023	Citizen Advisory Groups training	? p.m.	Council Chambers, City Hall
02/?/2023	LBCC Unity Celebration (last week of Feb. or first week of March)	9:00 a.m.	
March 2023			
03/09/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
03/22/2023	HRC's annual report presented at the City Council meeting	6:00 p.m.	Council Chambers, City Hall
03/28/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
03/28/2023	HRC meeting (No quorum)	6:30 p.m.	
April 2023			
04/01/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/08/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/13/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
04/15/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/15/2023	Eads Park Cleanup Volunteer Event		
04/22/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/25/2022	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
04/25/2022	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	Virtual event
04/29/2022	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
May 2023			
	Mental Health Month		
	Historical Preservation Month		
05/06/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/11/2023	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
05/13/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/18/2023	HEART to Heart Resource Fair (3rd Thursday in May)		
05/20/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/23/2023	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	Virtual event
05/27/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/29/2023	Memorial Day events		
05/30/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
June 2023			
06/03/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/08/2023	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
06/10/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/14/2023 ?	HRC annual report presentation at City Council meeting	6:00 p.m.	Council Chambers, City Hall
06/17/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/19/2022	Juneteenth Celebration (Linn Benton NAACP)	4:00 p.m.	Corvallis Community Center
06/24/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/24/2023	LGBTQ Rally/March		Linn County Courthouse & Downtown Albany
06/26-29/2023	Safety Camp for kids entering grades 4-6		Oak Elementary
06/27/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
06/27/2023	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	
06/28/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Sunrise Park
06/28/2023 ?	HR awards presented at City Council meeting	6:00 p.m.	Council Chambers, City Hall

July 2023

07/01/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/05/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Gibson Hill Park
07/08/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/10/2023	Summer Sounds (Eagle Eyes)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
07/12/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Deerfield Park
07/13/2023	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	7:00 p.m.	Hybrid event
07/13-15/2023	Linn County Fair		Fairgrounds
07/15/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/17/2023	Summer Sounds (Huckleberry Road)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
07/19/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Takena Park
07/20/2023	River Rhythms (Debbie Gibson)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
07/22/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/24/2023	Summer Sounds (Birch Pereira & the Gin Joints)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
07/25/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
07/25/2023	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	
07/26/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Lehigh Park
07/27/2023	River Rhythms (TBA)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
07/29/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/31/2023	Summer Sounds (Ms. Vee)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park

August 2023

	Midsummer Arts Festival		
08/01/2023	National Night Out Event (First Tuesday in August)	5:30 p.m.	
08/02/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Doug Killin Park
08/03/2023	River Rhythms (Home Free)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
08/05/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/09/2023	Fun in the Park	10 to Noon	Swanson Park
08/10/2023	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
08/10/2022	River Rhythms (Foghat)	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
08/12/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/19/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/22/2023	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	
08/26/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
8/25-27/2023	NW Art & Air Festival		Timber Linn Park
08/26/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/29/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	

September 2023

09/02/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/09/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/14/2023	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
09/16/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
	Festival Latino		
	Linn-Benton Veteran Stand Down		
09/23/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/26/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
09/26/2023	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	

October 2023

10/1-7/2023	Mental Illness Awareness week		
10/07/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/12/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
10/14/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/21/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/24/2023	HRC meeting	6:30 p.m.	Virtual event
10/28/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/31/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	

November 2023

	Annual Summit on Homelessness		
11/04/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/09/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
11/11/2023	Veterans Day Memorial Service	8:30 a.m.	Timber Linn Park
11/11/2023	Veterans Day Parade	12:30 p.m.	
11/11/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/18/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/28/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
11/28/2023	HRC meeting (PENDING)	6:30 p.m.	
11/25/2023	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot

December 2023

12/14/2023	NAACP Corvallis/Albany (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
12/21/2023	Homeless Persons' Memorial Service (longest night of the year)	5:30 p.m.	
12/26/2023	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
12/26/2023	HRC meeting Canceled	6:30 p.m.	