

**HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**October 5, 2011**

Present: Commissioners David Harburg, Alton Harvey, Esther Griffin, Karen Redington, Jamila Kisses, Daniel Brown, Maria Moreno, Rob Solomon, Alternate Commissioner Tresa Cavanaugh, Councilor Catherine Arnold and Staff Liaison Bob Crocker

Absent: Alternate Commissioners Hem Singh and Blair Thomas

Minutes of the September 7, 2011, meeting were reviewed and approved as amended. Commissioner Harvey moved to approve and Commissioner Brown seconded. Passed unanimously.

Communications from the City Liaison: Staff Liaison Bob Crocker proposed the "Diversity Award" plaque be updated with the new name (Human Rights Award) and the new logo. The quote was for \$48 (which includes the new plate, logo set up and the 2011 winner name plate); amount to be taken out of HRAC annual budget. Commissioner Harvey moved to approve and Commissioner Cavanaugh seconded. Passed unanimously. It was also mentioned that Bill LaMarche will be finishing up the press release for the Human Rights Award; notification will be sent out to the NAC groups, brief posting on the City's Facebook site and emailed out to the subscribers of the "Press Release" listserve. The online nomination form for the Human Rights Award was approved with some corrections. Bob will work with the web team to get the corrections complete and the form online.

No Hearings

Guests

Erin Hickey from the City of Beaverton gave an update on the Mayor's Taskforce. Erin presented a PowerPoint presentation and discussed some current accomplishments which included the completion and publishing of City Service Resource Guide, organizing and putting on the International Celebration Festival, hosting several Community Outreach meetings and completing the Multicultural Center Feasibility Study.

Barbara Fryer from the City of Beaverton Community and Economic Development Department gave a presentation on Beaverton Urban Renewal. Barbara discussed Urban Renewal Plan and how the November special election will impact this plan. She also discussed distribution of urban renewal funds and what projects would be completed with these funds.

Announcements:

Andree Tremoulet from Washington County Fair Housing Advisory Council was unable to attend. She is on the December 7 meeting schedule.

Commissioner Griffin and others reported their thoughts and reactions about handing out cards to interested citizens about the Human Rights Award at the Beaverton Farmers Market.

Beaverton School District Superintendent, Jeff Rose, will attend the December 7, 2011 meeting.

Human Rights Award nomination form will be available for citizens to fill out and submit online. Commissioner Griffin moved to approve and seconded by Commissioner Cavanaugh.

Committee Reports

Commissioner Harvey talked briefly about the Washington County Fair Housing Advisory Committee. The organization asked if member(s) of the Beaverton Human Rights Advisory Commission would be interested in investigating human rights violations that have been reported to Washington County FHAC. Commissioner Harvey and Commissioner Solomon also reported that the group would like Beaverton Human Rights Commission to co-sponsor an event in January. Commissioner Harvey moved to approve co-sponsoring the event and Commissioner Moreno seconded. Passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brown briefly discussed his findings on research about the Secure Communities Program and the involvement with Department of Homeland Security. Within this discussion, there was also information about community policing, racial profiling and "ICE".

Commissioner Moreno reported on her research concerning additional ways to promote the Human Rights Award. Her research included consultation with the Salem Human rights Council, and others. The subcommittee will develop an inclusive report for planning next year's award promotions.

Miscellaneous Business:

None reported.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Harvey, seconded by Commissioner Cavanaugh. Meeting adjourned at 8:43p.m.