

HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMISSION Wednesday, October 3, 2018 (6:30 - 8:30 p.m.) Tualatin River Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall – The Beaverton Building 12725 SW Millikan Way

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**Present:** Commissioners Farrah Chaichi, Marilyn McDonald, Phil Nagel, Moneer Afzal, Jerome Sibayan, Miranda Summer, Laurel Grasmick-Black, Stephanie Somanchi, Kossikan Yawo, Tom Steiwer, Tag Khuri; City Staff Liaison Paolo Esteban; Lieutenant Fletchall (Beaverton Police Department)

**Absent:** none

**Excused:** Commissioner Cameron Monfared, City Councilor Lacey Beaty

**Visitors/Guests:** Emma Deppa (Development Division), Tonya (visitor)

### **AGENDA**

6:35 - 6:36 Call Meeting to Order - Welcome and Introductions - Farrah Chaichi, Chair

6:36 - 6:38 Consent Agenda - September Minutes Approval

Minutes approved

6:38 - 6:40 Public Participation - Visitor Introductions

6:40 – 6:50 Emma Deppa, Presentation: National Housing Month Update

Fair Housing: Know Your Rights; October 24th, 6-8pm, Beaverton Library. Put on by the City, DAB, and HRAC. Dinner, interpretation, and childcare available.

Fair Housing Council investigates complaints of housing discrimination. Most complaints in Beaverton are in response to disability accommodations and accessibility.

Commission members are asked to attend and to encourage city residents to attend.

6:50 - 7:00 Beaverton Police Department update -- Lt. Fletchall

October is domestic violence awareness month; proclamation by Mayor Doyle. Many events upcoming throughout Washington County. October is also breast cancer awareness month, BPD is doing a fundraiser on behalf of Breast Friends.

7:00 - 7:10 City Update -- Paolo Esteban, Staff Liaison

Upcoming events, for more details see city website: Voters' Forum, October 18th at Beaverton High School. Family Resource Fair, October 20th; connects families with non-profit organizations

locally. Volunteer opportunities: Family Promise Shelter, Severe Weather Shelter. Speed limit enforcement is being phased in at all intersections with red light cameras. Free leaf disposal, most Saturdays and Sundays through October and November, at City Operations and Maintenance department.

7:10 - 7:17 City Council Update - Farrah Chaichi on behalf of Councilor Beatty

Proclamation for Indigenous Peoples' Day made last night at Council meeting. Commissioner McDonald formally accepted the proclamation on behalf of HRAC.

7:17 - 7:38 Human Rights School Curriculum update -- Stephanie Somanchi

Developing curricular materials around the origins of the concept of human rights. Short-term goal: commission members able to deliver lessons in classrooms. Curriculum is question-based and centered on the concept that every human being has innate value. Helps students make connections between self-acceptance and accepting others, encourages them to take it further by considering how people choose to champion human rights.

Councilor Somanchi provided an outline of the lesson and seeks additional input and feedback from members. So far lesson has been well-received by teachers and students. Commission feedback overall positive; Commissioner Summer is interested in testing the lesson to provide detailed feedback, other members will look over outline and provide feedback at next meeting. Longer-term goals could include partnering with Beaverton School District.

7:38 - 7:40 Sanctuary City Statement - Vote to Approve

Text of statement provided by Staff Liaison Esteban. Motion to approve. Motion carried, statement approved.

7:40 - 7:45 Boards and Commissions Recruitment Update -- Staff Liaison Esteban

Members with terms expiring 2018: Moneer, Marilyn, Phil, Jerome, Stephanie

Thirteen applications received for six open seats and two alternate seats.

7:45 - 7:50 Brief discussion of potential safety of young workers

Young workers were observed in the City last summer selling books door to door. Commissioner Steiwer expressed concern about the safety of these workers. Staff Liaison Esteban will follow up with Commissioner Steiwer.

7:50 - 8:20 Sub-Committee Group Time

Good Governance: Kossikan, Sub-Committee Chair

Discrimination: Phil, Sub-Committee Chair

8:20 - 8:30 Sub-Committee Report Out

Good Governance: Members are going on fact-finding missions.

Discrimination: Working on an event with a speaker who visited detained migrant children. Goal had been to organize event for December, however will be pushing this back. Other details still being determined.

8:30 Meeting adjourned

Next meeting: November 7th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Tualatin River Room, 3rd Floor, City Hall – The Beaverton Building 12725 SW Millikan Way