



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 20th, 2026

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

In Person: Southeastern Live Well Center

5101 Market Street, San Diego, CA. 92114

[SDHRC Zoom Link](#)

Executive Committee: Dr. Steven Jones (Chair); Rickie Brown (Vice Chair); Tootie Thomas (Secretary); Sabrina Bazzo, Dr. Sara Brown, Dr. Yessica Diaz Roman, Tyler Duncan, Edwin Lohr, Abdifatah Moalim, Nicole Murray-Ramirez (Chair Emeritus), Allie Ross, John Sequeira, and Danyel Walker.

Executive Director Liaison: Rev. Dr. Gerald Brown

Item 1. Call to order – Chair Jones

- Welcome Commissioners and fellow San Diegans to the monthly meeting of the City of San Diego Human Relations Commission.

Item 2. Roll Call – Vice Chair Rickie Brown

- A reminder to all Commissioners: materials including agenda, minutes, and background items are available by email and on the Commission website (<https://www.sandiego.gov/humanrelations/meetings>).

Item 3. Land Acknowledgement – Secretary Thomas Kanap Kuahan Coalition: Land Acknowledgement honoring the Kumeyaay people as the original inhabitants and caretakers of San Diego.

Item 4. Approval of Minutes – March 2026 – Chair Jones

Item 5. Public Comment: – Executive Director Rev. Dr. Brown

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Non-agenda Public Comment: 3 minutes per speaker at Chairperson discretion.

Item 6: Presentation: City of San Diego Commission on Police Practice

Presenter: Director of Policy and Initiatives

Aaron Burgess

Item 7: Commissioner Communication Preferences Survey Results Chair Jones

Item 8:

Action #1: The San Diego Foundation has agreed to provide a Sponsorship Grant of \$5000.00 for Civic Engagement to the City of San Diego Human Relations Commission.

Motion 01: To accept San Diego Foundation \$5,000 Civic Engagement Sponsorship Award. Discussion.

Action #2: Club FBS led by Ronald Clark & Brandon Johnson has agreed to be the HRC's fiscal agent.

Motion 2: To accept Club FBS as Fiscal Agents for the City of San Diego Human Relations Commission. Discussion.

Motion 03: Assign the "Coffee after 5" Taskforce (Commissioners Walker, Commissioner Lohr, and Chair Jones to manage the distribution and accounting of those funds. Discussion.

Item 9:

Action Item #3: Launch an investigation regarding whether possible Brown Act Violations occurred during the IHRA Definition approval process by City Council.

Motion #4: Request an investigation regarding whether a possible Brown Act Violation occurred during the IHRA Definition approval process. Discussion.



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Item 10:

Action Item #4: City Council Directive for HRC on March 17, 2026 to develop additional Anti-Hate definitions.

Motion 05: Create a Taskforce of 3-4 Commissioners to develop a strategy & action plan for developing the additional Anti-Hate Definitions. This plan will be presented to the HRC for input and approval. Discussion.

Item 11:

2026 Committee Chairs Meeting on April 28th 5:00 -6:00pm Update:

The committee structure exists to extend the leadership capacity of the HRC and accelerate progress on the 2026 HRC Strategic priorities across the City.

Action Item #5: Each Committee will identify a 2026 Signature Impact Project to be developed and implemented by the end of 2026. Committees are expected to move beyond discussion and produce visible, measurable impact aligned with the HRC mission.

Motion 06: Approve the Signature Impact Project goal for each 2026 Strategic Priority Committee. Discussion.

Motion 07: Approve Committee Chair Expectations document: Committees will meet monthly & update the HRC on committee progress during the monthly meetings. Discussion.

4 HRC 2026 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Discrimination and Equal Protection

- Commissioner Tyler Duncan, Committee Chair

2. Educational Disparities

- Yessica Diaz Roman, Committee Co-Chair
- Commissioner Allie Ross, Committee Co-Chair

3. Food Safety

- Commissioner Daneyel Walker, Committee Chair

4. Civic Engagement (Outreach and Community Engagement)

- Commissioner Sarah Brown, Committee Co-chair (absent)
- Commissioner Abifatah Moalim, Committee Co-chair



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Item 16. Executive Director Report – Rev. Dr. Brown

Item 17. Commissioner Comments/Announcements

Item 18. Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Item 19. Adjournment Chair Jones

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 17th, Jackie Robinson YMCA at 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.