



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
Minutes**

DATE: Wednesday, June 15, 2016
TIME: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
PLACE: Santa Fe Room, Balboa Park Club
2144 Pan American Road West, San Diego
MEETING: Number 290

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Joel Trambley, Chair	Faye Detsky-Weil	Keryna Johnson
Monica Bauer	Shana Hazan	Nicole Murray Ramirez
Dion Brown	Godwin Higa	Susan Thomson- Tschirn
Dolores Canizales	Patrick Hovakimian	Lillian Shallow, Youth Commissioner
Tinesia Conwright	Stephen Groce	

EXCUSED COMMISSIONERS

Gagandeep Kaur	Jessica Nare, Vice Chair
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GUESTS & STAFF

Danell Scarborough, Executive Director
Denise Sandoval, Executive Assistant
Greg Halsey, Deputy City Attorney
Don Giaquinto, Director of Protocol
Victoria Carrillo, Student Intern
Paul Engh, Federal Builder

Meeting called to order: 5:23 p.m.

(Photo of Commission - BIG MIKE)

WELCOME

Roll Call: conducted

Approval of the minutes:

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of May 18, 2016 Commission Meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Detsky-Weil

Commissioner Higa requested an addition to add the word students on #3 of the Governing for equity and diversity update. Commissioner Johnson accepted the amendment.

Vote: Motion passes unanimously with amendments

Non-Agenda Public Comment: none

Commissioner Brown made a motion to hold the July HRC meeting at the LGBT Center in Hillcrest in their auditorium, 2nd by Commissioner Thomson-Tschirn. Approved unanimously.

Mayor's Office Representative – Don Giaquinto, Director of Protocol

1. Promise Zone distinction for San Diego handout provided
 - i. A handout was provided that outlined the Promise Zone area
 - ii. Six goals of revitalization were outlined for the designated area.
 1. Job creation
 2. Economic improvement
 3. Reduced Violent Crimes
 4. Educational Expansion
 5. Affordable Quality Housing
 6. Health promoting and Access to Healthcare

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Chair Trambley, introduced and thanked our new Student Intern, Victoria Carrillo. Victoria informed that she is from Imperial Valley and she is currently a Public Administration Masters Student at SDSU and that she hopes to one day work in local government.

PRESENTATIONS - Veterans Container Housing, Paul Engh, CEO

1. Mr. Engh, gave the history of emergency shelters and shared photographs.
2. Mr. Engh proceeded to give an overview and share pictures of current container housing in different parts of the world.
3. Mr. Engh shared still pictures of the step by step building process of the current prototype of the container home.
4. Mr. Engh included that property and space locations will be needed in order to have the containers mounted.
5. Mr. Engh concluded by expressing that they would leave a 0% carbon footprint and asked if there were any questions.
6. Mr. Engh informed \$300 a month for the unit, final cost is \$13,000.00 a unit.
7. Mr. Engh reminded that this was not proper housing this is emergency housing... emergency facilities (bathrooms, sinks and showers) would also need to be considered.

ACTION AGENDA - New Business

Commissioner Higa made a motion to consider letter to San Diego Unified School District in appreciation of their work on Title IX issues.

Seconded by Commissioner Murray-Ramirez

**Commissioner Brown recommended that there be an amendment in the language
The motion passes unanimously with the amendment.**

Commissioner Canizales with the help of Diana Wilkinson, Hunger Advocacy Network, made a motion to consider support for the Hunger Advocacy Network’s legislative priorities. Handout provided (Letters would be sent

AB 1577: California Farm to Food Bank Tax Credit (no longer in legislation – Passed)

AB 1747: College Student Hunger Relief Act of 2016 (Senate Education Committee)

AB 2054: Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) for Children. (Senate Human Services Committee)

Seconded by Commissioner Higa

The motion passes unanimously

INFORMATION AGENDA - Update on 2016 Priorities/Committees

1.

<p>Global Perspective: <i>Chair: Commissioner Monica Bauer</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The committee is still pending a meeting with the Mayor but that in July 2016 the Mayor’s office would be presenting to the Commission.
<p>Governing for Equity and Diversity: <i>Chair: Commissioner Godwin Higa</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The committee invited the Japanese ambassador to come and present regarding educating the public “Jap”. They have also invited the “J.A.P. in the Box” owner”.2. Jack in the Box will also look into the trademark issues.3. The committee requested feedback regarding the recruiting presentation. The notes from that meeting will be reviewed and a letter will be considered.
<p>Access to Basic Needs: <i>Chair: Commissioner Keryna Johnson.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reminder that September is Hunger Awareness Month2. Homelessness formula3. Childcare
<p>Communications: <i>Chair: Commissioner Dolores Canizales</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A monthly calendar was passed around so that community events can be posted2. Community Contacts sharing3. The Website – Tabled
<p>Commission Awards: <i>Chair: Commissioner Gagandeep Kaur</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. No Report/Absent

2. Overview of process and timeline for Commission Awards – Danell Scarborough

a. Annual Awards and Commendations – 2016

- i. Awards Nomination and Selection Timeline
- ii. Reception Planning Timeline
- iii. Award Categories
 1. Keith Turnham Humanitarian award
 2. Business Diversity Award
 3. Commission Partner Award
 4. Human Relations Commission Commendations
 5. Ashely Walker Social Justice Award
- iv. *There will be No Nominations from the Floor this year.*
- v. *The Commission is in Need of Sponsors.*

b. Annual Awards and Commendations Honorees (past) for reference

**** (A Moment of Silence for all those who lost their lives and were affected by the Orlando incident)
A Special Meeting will be discussed to bring the Orlando topic forward to an agenda.**

3. Briefing on San Diego Gay Men's Chorus and the Padres – Joel Trambley
At the last Padres game the Gay Men's Chorus was invited to sing the national anthem, while waiting on the field to sing another voice track was played over them. There was not apology at that time and they were escorted off the field. It was determined it was an operator error and the operator was fired.
 - a. The Gay Men's Chorus accepted the DJ's apology
 - b. The Gay Men's Chorus requested that the DJ's job be reinstated.
 - c. The Padres have been invited to participate in the Pride Parade.

The City and the Padres did a great job in support of this incident. Although the Commission has the right to investigate the Commission declined an investigation.

Commissioner Groce thanked Commissioner Brown and Commissioner Murray-Ramirez for their quick action on this matter.

4. Legislative Update – Student Intern Victoria Carrillo
 - a. The Gender Neutral Restrooms – if Bill passes beginning March 1st, 2017 all businesses will be required to have Gender Neutral Restrooms.

Chair's Report

1. Commission Annual Report for 2015 – format handout was provided
2. Input on qualities of next Executive Director
 - a. Results of Waggl survey – handout provided

Executive Director's Report

1. Restorative Justice Summit follow-up
 - a. "Go Live" date with the Restorative Justice / Restorative Practices keynote speakers and power point presentations of the workshops are coming soon. Currently, the group that started the summit would like to stay together as a collaborative effort.
2. Human Trafficking efforts update
 - a. The County has taken over the monthly meetings and working on the social media campaign in collaboration with San Diego City Schools. Trainings are being requested around the Country.
 - b. "The Ugly Truth – San Diego" Campaign to look out for.

Commissioners' Announcements

1. Commissioner Nicole Murray Ramirez shared that the Muslim & LGBT Community are working together to create a relationship. He also thanked all that attended the Harvey Milk Breakfast and informed that it was the biggest breakfast to date.
2. Commissioner Canizales shared that Mira Costa College was granted funds to start a Veteran's Business Outreach Center. The center will help Veterans start small local businesses, and provide numerous resources.

ADJOURN: 7:30 pm

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, July 20, 2016
The LGBT Center
3909 Centre Street
San Diego, CA 92103

Upcoming Events:

- +CAHRO State-wide Conference, Friday, October 29, 2016, San Jose State University
- +Standing Together for Peace, Saturday, November 5, 2016, 6:00 p.m. Jeremy Henwood Memorial Park
- +HRC Recognition Ceremony and Reception, Wednesday, November 16, 2016, Central Library

For further information contact: Danell Scarborough, Executive Director (619) 236-6420

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