CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS MINUTES

Thursday, March 31, 2022 555 S 10th Street, 1st Floor City County Building, Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER:

The March 31, 2022, meeting of the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights (LCHR) was called to order at 4:04 p.m. by Emira Ibrahimpasic, Chair.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioners: Emira Ibrahimpasic (Chair), Kevin Abourezk, Haroon Al Hayder, Rose Godinez, Alyssa Martin and Davetta Nelson.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Commissioners: Sheri Blok (Vice Chair) and Terry Werner.

STAFF PRESENT:

Marna Munn, Yohance Christie, Rob Rowan, Chassidy Jackson-Goodwin, Francisca Beltran, Thuyhong Le and Shanna Eckman.

APPROVAL OF February 24, 2022, MINUTES:

A motion was made by Abourezk and seconded by Al Hayder to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Hearing no discussion, Ibrahimpasic asked for the roll call. Voting "aye" were Ibrahimpasic, Abourezk, Al Hayder and Nelson. Godinez abstained. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF March 31, 2022, AGENDA:

A motion was made by Godinez and seconded by Martin to approve the meeting agenda.

Hearing no discussion, Ibrahimpasic asked for the roll call. Voting "aye" were Ibrahimpasic, Abourezk, Al Hayder, Godinez, Martin and Nelson. Motion carried.

CASE DISPOSITIONS:

LCHR # 21-0715-010-H

A motion was made by Abourezk and seconded by Al Hayder to table the case until the next meeting.

Hearing no discussion, Ibrahimpasic asked for the roll call. Voting "aye" were Ibrahimpasic, Blok, Abourezk, Al Hayder, Godinez and Martin. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

A grant was received from Humanities Nebraska to allow Omaha students to come to CRC2022 to perform.

Registration is still open for CRC2022, contact Francisca for more details.

LCHR is updating the video for the Commission and will interview some of the current Commissioners.

Public Hearing updates:

Four dates are scheduled to cover all of the cases slated for public hearing: May 16-17, May 23-24, 2022. Initially there were nine cases for public hearing; one has elected to go to civil action, and one has been settled.

NEW BUSINESS:

The search for a new LCHR Director is still underway. Christie will be in contact with the Commissioners to keep them updated.

Title 11 update was suspended and put on hold; it is still in the City Council waiting for a decision.

IIR update: Investigator Rowan proposed an update of the internal investigative report, to help streamline and clarify it.

Welcome to TJ McDowell, the new aide to the Mayor.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mindy Rush Chipman expressed her thank you to the Commission for their service to the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, April 28, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. 555 S. 10th Street, 1st Floor, Council Chambers