

MINUTES
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

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Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Commission Chair Tyler Conaway called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Commissioners present: Ozetta Kirby, Jacob Bello, Tyler Conaway, Erica Maxwell, Shannon Begay, Joseph Curbelo, John Anguiano & Garry Ong

Commissioners absent: Gina Hill, Shahzad Amjad, Pamela Morris,

Staff present: Niki Tapia, Rori Minor, and Jason Sieczkowski

Public present: Theresa Dettler

SCHEDULED/UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES/CALL TO PUBLIC

None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. John Anguiano moved to approve the March 23, 2022, Human Relation Commission Meeting Minutes. Ozetta Kirby seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

1. Introduction Assistant City Manager, Tadd Wille
 - a. Postponed to June 15, 2022
2. DEI Assessment Updates
 - a. Niki Tapia shared a brief PowerPoint overview of the Chandler DEI Survey Update
3. Police Department Updates
 - a. Commander Sieczkowski gave an update on the number of home invasions involving Asian Americans. There have been none. He also updated the Commission on Defensive Tactics training.
 - b. Ozetta Kirby asked for more information on the Data Analysis Research Team (DART).
 - c. John Anguiano commended the department for the outreach event they coordinated at Hartford Elementary School.
 - d. Gary Ong asked about the potential for a liaison for the Asian American community in Chandler. Commander Sieczkowski offered to connect Ong to the Crime Prevention Unit as the area that oversees outreach for the Police Department.
 - e. Erica Maxwell asked about how Traffic and Road Closures is effecting the capacity of the Chandler Police Department. Commander Sieczkowski informed the group that this is on the City's radar including preventing and eliminating pursuits.
 - f. Jacob Bello asked about lateral transfers in response to the bonus that the Chandler Police Department is offering. Commander Sieczkowski will bring a demographic breakdown of new hires and lateral transfers to the next Human Relations Committee Meeting.

BRIEFING

1. Asian Town Hall Event & AAPI Month Activities Update
 - a. Tyler Conaway shared a review of the Asian American Community Conference that took place on May 7, 2022. The intent is to continue this event annually and potentially use this model for other cultural communities in Chandler.
 - b. Gary Ong asked for clarification on finding speakers for future events who are running for election.

MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Erica Maxwell shared about her recently published book called "Beauty with a Birthmark". A book signing at the Chandler Barnes and Noble will take place this weekend.

Niki Tapia announced that the City Clerk has made an exception and will be serving on the Human Relations Commission for another 3 year term.

Ozetta Kirby invited the HRC to the Celebrate Women event that is taking place in Mesa.

CALENDAR

1. May 17 - Asian Heritage Family Storytime @ Sunset
2. May 18 - Asian Heritage Family Storytime @ Hamilton
3. May 19 - Asian Heritage Family Storytime @ Downtown
4. May 20 - Asian Heritage Family Storytime @ Basha
5. May 21 - Asian Heritage Cultural Showcase @ Downtown
6. June 16 - Juneteenth Freedom Week Kick-off
7. June 17 - Miss Juneteenth Pageant
8. June 18 - Culture Music in the Park
9. June 19 - 4th Annual Juneteenth Mixer

INFORMATION ITEMS

AJOURN

Ozetta Kirby moved to adjourn the Human Relation Commission meeting. Jacob Bello seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Dated: 10/19/22

Niki Tapia
Recording Secretary Niki Tapia

Tyler Conaway
Commission Chair Tyler Conaway