

Meeting Minutes

Human Relations Commission

Regular Meeting

April 17, 2024 | 6:00 p.m.
Chandler City Council Chambers
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Maxwell at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Commission Attendance

Chair Erica Maxwell
Vice Chair Kriti Agarwal
Commissioner Betty Ramirez
Commissioner John Anguiano
Commissioner Jacob Bello
Commissioner Garry Ong
Commissioner Shannon Begay
Commissioner Tony Pham
Commissioner Pamela Morris

Staff Attendance

Niki Tapia, DEI Officer
CC Cantabrana, Management Assistant
Commander Daniel Shellum, CPD

Staff Attendance

Commissioner Joseph Curbelo
Commissioner Tyler Conaway

Scheduled and Unscheduled Public Appearances

None

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Vice Chair Agarwal moved to approve the February 12, 2024, Human Relations Commission meeting minutes; Seconded by Commissioner Ramirez

Motion carried unanimously (9-0).

Discussion

Commissioner Farewell

Chair Maxwell thanked Commissioner Jacob Bello for his dedicated service and unwavering commitment to the Human Relations Commission. As Bello transitions to a full-time Police Officer role with the City of

Chandler, his departure marks the end of a significant chapter for the Commission. Chair Maxwell acknowledged Bello's contributions and his positive impact, wishing him success and fulfillment in his new position.

HRC Event Reports

Chair Maxwell expressed her gratitude to the members for submitting post-event reports, emphasizing the value of their feedback. She highlighted the positive impact of the MLK Jr. Awards on the community awardees and praised the event's speaker for being relatable and enlightening, offering an important opportunity to learn about the significance of Martin Luther King Jr. Maxwell encouraged members to continue attending future events and sharing their insights, as this feedback is crucial for the Commission's ongoing efforts to foster community engagement and improvement.

AACC Event

Niki Tapia extended an invitation to all Commissioners to attend the Asian American Community Connection event, presented by DEI. Scheduled for May 1 at Phoenix Palace, the event will feature speakers from the Asian Chamber of Commerce, Public Safety, Fair Housing and Homeless Programs, and Arizona State University. This event is part of the celebration of AAPI Heritage Month, aiming to highlight and honor the contributions of the Asian community.

Police Updates

Police Commander Daniel Shellum has been appointed as the police liaison to the Human Relations Commission. With 18 years of experience at the Chandler Police Department, Commander Shellum brings a wealth of expertise in public safety, particularly in intelligence crime and gun violence. In his recent report, he noted that as of April 16, there have been no hate crimes. He also mentioned a protest at Intel West Campus, which concluded without any arrests or injuries. However, there has been a noticeable rise in traffic-related issues, which the department is actively addressing.

Member Comments/Announcements

None

Calendar

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at 6 p.m., in the Chandler City Council Chambers, 88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

CC Cantabrana, Recording Secretary

Erica Maxwell, Chair