

Minutes

Human Relation Committee Meeting
4/01/23

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at approximately 5:10 pm.

Present: Tabitha Crow, John Harvey, Anya Covington [via Zoom], Violet Evans, Dave Boyer, Yolanda Cochrell

Absent: Brian Pezza, Shannon O'Brien, Karyle Penelton

HRC members present voted to allow Anya C. to vote remotely. Moved: Harvey, Second: Crow.

Public Comment

Member of the public present, Ash Jenkins, announced a clothing giveaway on April 29th from 10 to 5 pm at Rainbow House, LGBTQ Safe Center, 808 N. Main. People can donate clothing to the giveaway— see the Rainbow House Facebook page.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes approved: Moved: Boyer, Second: Harvey

Administrative

Election. Members present elected John Harvey as HRC secretary. Moved: Boyer; Second: Evans.

Housing Study-Recommendation. Members had a lengthy discussion about whether we should recommend to the City that it fund the recommendations portion of the Study—as originally conceived. We discussed how the City has met with affordable housing developers. There was a suggestion that asking developers to build affordable housing is to ask them “to make less money.” Dave Boyer suggested that asking the City to fund additional recommendations, given the performance of the consultants to date, was not a good use of money. There was a concern that additional work might be “fluff.” There was no motion to recommend additional City funding for this purpose.

Race Relations & Equality Survey Review. There was a consensus to address survey findings relevant to the subject of discrimination and racism at the May meeting, to address findings on housing at the June meeting, and to conclude the HRS review of Public Safety in July.

New Business

There was no new business.

Meeting adjourned at ???. Moved: Boyer; Second: Harvey.

Anya B Covington

Minutes submitted by John Harvey

[Signature] 5-1-23