

## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

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### URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

**DATE:** Wednesday, January 8, 2020

**TIME:** 5:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** City Council Chambers  
400 South Vine Street  
Urbana, Illinois 61801

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Daniel Larson, Peter Resnick, Lisa Mosley, Frances Rigberg Baker, Lolita Dumas, Carol Bradford, Stacie Burnett

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** Lisa Mosley

**STAFF PRESENT:** Vacellia P. Clark

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

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- a. Chair, Frances Rigberg Baker called this meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission to order at 5:33 p.m. Roll was taken. A quorum was present.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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- a. Vice Chair Resnick made a motion that the Commission approve the agenda Daniel Larson seconded the motion. Chair, Rigberg-Baker called for a voice vote. The motion carried.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**a. September 11, 2020**

Stacie Burnett made a motion that the Commission approve the September 11, 2019 draft minutes with 2 corrections Sections 7b – (correction: *her* rather than his and 8c – *held* rather than heal). Daniel Larson seconded the motion. Chair, Rigberg Baker called for a voice vote. The motion carried.

**6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- a. Monique James and Candace Goldbolt from the Housing Authority of Champaign County came before the Commission to request financial support for an event the HACC is having for homeless individuals on February 2, 2020. Commission discussed the issue. A vote to approve \$150.00 will be held at the February 2020 HRC meeting.
- b. Danielle Chynoweth, Cunningham Township Supervisor and Housing Authority Board Member, presented a report prepared by her office summarizing housing challenges faced by some individuals when attempting to find rental housing in Urbana. The Commission participated in a Q & A after Ms. Chynoweth's presentation. The Commission plans to review the information provided by Ms. Chynoweth and will discuss at the February

HRC meeting what action plans they will recommend to Mayor Marlin to begin educating property owners in Urbana about the Human Rights Ordinance and what property owners can do to stay compliant with the ordinance.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. The Commission briefly discussed their 2020 Goals. Chair, Rigberg Baker requested each Commissioner give some thought about what they would like to see the Commission work on in 2020. Each Commissioner was asked to submit their ideas to Ms. Clark one week prior to the February meeting. The Commission will begin developing final goals at the February 2020 HRC meeting.

**9. STAFF REPORT**

- a. Approval of EEO Workforce Statistics
  - i. The EEO Workforce Statistics were reviewed and staff recommendations for approval were as follows:

**1. Carter Shelby Motors of Hoopeston**

- a. Staff Recommendation - 2 years

Ms. Clark gave a brief presentation to the Commission regarding the workforce statistics for Carter Shelby Motors of Hoopeston. Carol Bradford made the motion to approve 2 years for Carter Shelby Motors of Hoopeston and Lolita Dumas seconded the motion. Chair, Rigberg Baker called for a voice vote. The motion carried unanimously.

- b. HRO Activity Report

Ms. Clark presented the monthly activity report to the Commission. Comments and questions from the Commission were addressed by Ms. Clark during the course of her presentation.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Chair, Rigberg Baker announced the Champaign Countywide Celebration scheduled for Friday, January 17, 2020 at the Vineyard Church in Urbana. Reception at 3pm and program begins at 4pm.
- b. Chair, Rigberg Baker presented outgoing Chair, Daniel Larson a gavel on behalf of the Human Relations Commissioners for his many years of service as Chair of the Commission.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Rigberg Baker declared the meeting to be adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vacellia Clark  
Recording Secretary