



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

URBANA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

DATE: Wednesday, August 12, 2015

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Frances Rigberg Baker, Kevin Bowersox-Johnson, Daniel Larson, Jeniece Mitchell, Lisa Mosley, Peter Resnick

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Aisha Lamb Sobh

STAFF PRESENT: Alex Bautista

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

- a. Chair Larson called this meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission to order at 5:34 p.m. Roll was taken. A quorum was present.
- b. Chair Larson introduced new Commission member Jeniece Mitchell. Ms. Mitchell briefly addressed the Commission.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Ms. Mosley made a motion that the Commission approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Bowersox-Johnson seconded the motion. Chair Larson called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. May 5, 2015 Special Meeting; July 8, 2015 Regular Meeting
 - i. Mr. Resnick made a motion that the Commission approve the draft minutes of the May 5, 2015 special meeting and the draft minutes of the July 8, 2015 regular meeting in omnibus fashion. Ms. Rigberg Baker seconded the motion. Chair Larson called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. There was none.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. There was none.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a.** Presentation on the Prairie Land Conflict Mediation Center – Joy George, Executive Director
 - i.** Joy George, Executive Director of the Prairie Land Conflict Mediation Center, addressed the Commission. Ms. George introduced herself and the mission of the Mediation Center. She presented the Commission with the idea of creating localized conflict mediation centers and facilitators at the neighborhood level. Ms. George addressed comments and questions from the Commission and from City staff during the course of her presentation.
- b.** Update on the IDOT Traffic Stop Data Task Force Preliminary Findings Report – Peter Resnick
 - i.** Mr. Resnick, Chair of the IDOT Traffic Stop Data Task Force, presented to the Commission the slide show he had presented to the City Council regarding the progress and status of the Task Force’s Preliminary Findings Report. Comments and questions from the Commission were addressed by Mr. Resnick following his presentation. Mr. Bautista requested that all members of the Commission read the Preliminary Report and be prepared to discuss it in greater length at the September 9, 2015 regular meeting. There were no objections.

7. STAFF REPORT

- a.** Approval of EEO Workforce Statistics
 - i.** The EEO Workforce Statistics were reviewed and staff recommendations for approval were as follows:
 - 1.** Insight Public Sector, Inc.
 - a.** Recommend 2 years
 - 2.** Farnsworth Group
 - a.** Recommend 1 year
 - 3.** Feutz Contractors
 - a.** Recommend 1 year

Mr. Bautista gave a brief presentation to the Commission on the workforce statistics of each contractor/vendor. Discussion followed. Mr. Resnick made a motion that the Commission approve Insight Public Sector, Inc., for a period of two years and Farnsworth Group for a period of one year. Ms. Rigberg Baker seconded the motion. Chair Larson called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Noting the absence of information in Section III, Table C of the EEO Workforce Statistics Form submitted by Feutz Contractors, Mr. Resnick made a motion that the Commission approve Feutz Contractors for a period of one year, contingent upon receipt of complete information for the aforementioned Section III, Table C in the EEO Workforce Statistics Form. Ms. Rigberg Baker seconded the motion. Chair Larson called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

- b.** HRO Activity Report
 - i.** Mr. Bautista reviewed the monthly activity report with the Commission, addressing Commission comments and questions during the course of his review.
- c.** Budget Report
 - i.** Recording Secretary Tony Weck presented the Commission with the budget report.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a.** Mr. Bautista reported to the Commission on his attendance at the Pathways to Apprenticeship program in Champaign, Illinois.
- b.** Mr. Bautista announced that he would be attending an upcoming meeting of the United States Minority Contractors Association in Springfield, Illinois.
- c.** Mr. Bautista announced his plan for outreach to La Casa Cultural at the University of Illinois.
- d.** Mr. Bautista announced his plan for outreach to the Urbana-Champaign Muslim community on August 14, 2015.
- e.** Mr. Bowersox-Johnson announced that the sixth annual Champaign-Urbana Pride Festival would take place September 19-20, 2015, with the theme of this year's event being, "Love Wins."

9. ADJOURNMENT

- a.** There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chair Resnick declared the meeting to be adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Weck
Recording Secretary