

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
HUMAN RELATIONS
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017
HEALTH DEPARTMENT
2525 GRAND AVE., #204, LONG BEACH, CA
90815, 5:30 PM**

Miles McNeeley, Chair
Elaine Bernal, Vice Chair
LaDawn Best, Commissioner
Elisa Buchanan, Commissioner
Nikole Cababa, Commissioner
Amy Eriksen, Commissioner
Giovanna Ferraro, Commissioner



Desmond Fletcher, Commissioner
Otis Hogan, Commissioner
Rohida Khan, Commissioner
Kimberly Maniquis, Commissioner
Zoe Nicholson, Commissioner
Veronica Quincy, Commissioner

FINISHED AGENDA & DRAFT MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

At 5:36 PM, Chair McNeeley called the meeting to order.

Commissioners Elisa Buchanan, Nikole Cababa, Amy Eriksen, Giovanna
Present: Ferraro, Desmond Fletcher, Otis Hogan, Rohida Khan, Zoe
Nicholson, Elaine Bernal and Miles McNeeley
Commissioners LaDawn Best and Kimberly Maniquis
Excused:
Commissioners Veronica Quincy
Absent:

Also present: Teresa Gomez, Human Dignity Program Coordinator

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[17-005HR](#)

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 9,
2017 HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Eriksen, seconded by
Commissioner Bernal, to approve recommendation. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 7 - Nikole Cababa, Amy Eriksen, Desmond Fletcher, Otis
Hogan, Rohida Khan, Zoe Nicholson and Elaine Bernal

Abstain: 3 - Elisa Buchanan, Giovanna Ferraro and Miles McNeeley

Excused: 2 - LaDawn Best and Kimberly Maniquis

Absent: 1 - Veronica Quincy

- 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Members of the public are invited to address the Commission on items of interest to the public within the Agency Commission jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Human Relations Commission.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Chair Remarks – Miles McNeeley, Chair.

Chair McNeeley provided opening remarks.

- b. [17-006HR](#) Recommendation to support City Council effort to explore the feasibility of standard rental application process/credit check to help alleviate cost burden for low income apartment rental applicants - Julia Gould, Legislative Deputy Council District 2.

Julia Gould, Legislative Deputy Council District 2, provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nicholson, seconded by Commissioner Cababa, to approve recommendation to support City Council effort to explore feasibility of standard rental application. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Elisa Buchanan, Nikole Cababa, Amy Eriksen, Giovanna Ferraro, Otis Hogan, Rohida Khan, Zoe Nicholson, Elaine Bernal and Miles McNeeley

Abstain: 1 - Desmond Fletcher

Excused: 2 - LaDawn Best and Kimberly Maniquis

Absent: 1 - Veronica Quincy

- c. [17-008HR](#) Presentation on Educating and Providing Resources to Communities Impacted by Hate Crimes - Marquez Equalibria, Community Relations Service U.S. Department of Justice.

Marquez Equalibria, Community Relations Service U.S. Department of Justice, provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Brief Discussion.

This HR-Agenda Item was received and filed.

- d. [17-007HR](#) Recommendation to submit to City Council recommendation for Endorsement of Indigenous Peoples Day - All Commissioners.

A motion was made by Chair McNeeley, seconded by Commissioner Eriksen, to submit recommendation to the Long Beach City Council for Endorsement of Indigenous Peoples Day - that City recognize Indigenous Peoples Day annually during the second week of October. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Elisa Buchanan, Nikole Cababa, Amy Eriksen, Giovanna Ferraro, Desmond Fletcher, Otis Hogan, Rohida Khan, Zoe Nicholson, Elaine Bernal and Miles McNeeley

Excused: 2 - LaDawn Best and Kimberly Maniquis

Absent: 1 - Veronica Quincy

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on HRC strategic planning retreat – Teresa Gomez, Human Dignity Program Coordinator.

Teresa Gomez, Human Dignity Program Coordinator, mentioned she would send an email requesting Commissioners availability for day in May or June.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Commissioner District Updates and Announcements

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:15 p.m, there being no objection, Chair McNeely adjourned the meeting.

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