

MINUTES

Mayor's Commission on Human Rights and Community Relations

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 – 5:30 P.M.

Busch Building, 2nd Floor West Conference Room

1. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Rachel Naab, Mike Garton, Jasmine Allen, Jamea Crum, Charity Jordan, Chase Snider, Bob Roberts,

Commissioner Absent: Kay Holcumbrink

City Staff: Adriana Failla and Mary Bozarth

City Staff Absent: Taj Suleyman

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 17, 2023

- Chase Snider made motion to approve the May 17, 2023, minutes. Bob Roberts seconded the motion. Motion approved. (7-0, Kay Holcumbrink absent)

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

4. COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATE:

- Community Speaker, Scott Ellis, from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital gave a speech about the organization's mission, connection to inclusion, and local efforts in Springfield, Missouri. Scott Ellis also discussed St. Jude Children's Research Hospital's upcoming walk/run event September 16, 2023.

5. UNFINISHED and ONGOING BUSINESS

- Discussion of MCHRCR Strategic Plan
 - Commission recognized their participation in two Juneteenth events.
 - Rachel Naab provided an update that quarterly meetings with the mayor have been scheduled.
 - Jasmine Allen requested a follow-up on drafting a MCHRCR statement letter
 - Rachel Naab announced a new complainant of discrimination case



6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Discussion of Email Vote Policy
 - Chase Snider volunteered to look for language to use for potentially adding an email policy to the bylaws.

ADJOURN

Jasmine Allen made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 pm.

Mike Garton seconded the motion. Motion was approved (7-0, Kay Holcumbrink absent)

Approved on 07/19/2023.

Next Meeting:

July 19, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.

Location Busch Building, 2nd Floor West Conference Room

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