

# HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

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City and County of San Francisco

## ***SAN FRANCISCO HUMAN RIGHTS DIVISION*** ***Draft Meeting Minutes*** **October 27, 5:00 PM**

### **ROSTER OF COMMISSIONERS**

Karen Clopton, Chairperson  
Joseph Sweiss, Vice-Chairperson  
Vanessa R. Aquino, Commissioner  
Hala Hijazi, Commissioner  
Mark Kelleher, Commissioner  
Jason Pellegrini, Commissioner  
Leah Pimentel, Commissioner  
Irene Yee Riley, Commissioner  
Ann Champion Shaw, Commissioner  
Michael Sweet, Commissioner

Sheryl Evans Davis, EdD  
Executive Director

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**Meeting was called to order at 5:03pm.**

Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement – Commissioner Michael Sweet

**1. 2:33 CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Present:** Vanessa R. Aquino, Karen Clopton, Ann Champion Shaw, Hala Hijazi, Jason Pellegrini, Irene Yee Riley, Michael Sweet.

**Absent:** Mark Kelleher, Leah Pimentel, Joseph Sweiss.

Meeting was called to order with 7 Commissioners present.

**2. 5:09 FINDINGS TO ALLOW TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS UNDER CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) (Action Item)**

The Commission will discuss and possibly adopt a Resolution setting forth findings necessary to authorize the Commission to hold meetings remotely under the modified Brown Act provisions in Assembly Bill 361.

**Presentation:** Cathy Mulkey Meyer, San Francisco Human Rights Commission

**Public Comment**

Motion to allow teleconferenced meetings under California government code section 54953(e). 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Joseph Sweiss , 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reverend Ann Champion Shaw.

**Motion carried by acclamation.**

**3. 7:15 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Discussion Item)**

Members of the public may address the Commission on matters that are within the Commission's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.

**There was no general public comment**

**4. 7:45 STAFF INTRODUCTIONS (Discussion Item)**

This is time for newly hired staff to introduce themselves to the Commission.

Presentation: Stevon Cook, Interim Director, Civil Rights Division, San Francisco Human Rights Commission

**Public Comment**

Director Cook introduced himself and expressed his appreciation for the Civil Rights Division team.

5. **11:09 CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION UPDATE** (*Discussion Item*)

Updates on ongoing work of the Civil Rights Division update including work investigating evictions from supportive housing and trends identified in investigations conducted by the Civil Rights Division.

Presentation: Matt Oglander, Investigator, Civil Rights Division, San Francisco Human Rights Commission

**Public Comment**

**Matthew Oglander** provided recent updates on the amendments to Section 12 A, B, and C of the Municipal code, amending age discrimination to match federal policy, updating gender definitions. The Rules Committee has agendaized hearing the amendments on November 14, 2022 at 10:00am.

Introduced a new change to local policy, including pregnant, birthing people as a protected class in housing during the Land Use and Transportation hearing.

Provided an update on the BIPOC Eviction working group and internal meetings with Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing and Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development. The Bar Association of San Francisco's conflict intervention service and our consultant, Mary Hennessy, will review and synthesize the information developed in the larger BIPOC working group and draft a report.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** There was no public comment on this item.

6. **27:42 COMMISSIONER ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMUNITY** (*Discussion Item*)

Commissioners update the public on activities they have participated in and any upcoming events.

**Public Comment**

**COMMISSIONER COMMENT**

**Commissioner Reverend Shaw** attended the Ignatian Family Teaching for Justice where the San Francisco Human Rights Commission staff and Dream Keeper Initiative presented and her daughter Raven Shaw spoke on the main stage about her experiences as a BIPOC person attending St. Ignatius. She attended a life changing session titled "Innocent on Death Row"

**Commissioner Aquino** attended SFUSD Mission Bay School groundbreaking ceremony.

**Commissioner Hijazi** - is participating in a CORO Fellows Program. She attended EMERGE California's 20th anniversary. She helped organize Speaker Pelosi Women's Power luncheon with First Lady Joe, Dr. Joe Biden. Commissioner Hijazi also spoke at in celebration of Fleet Week, blessing the fleet. Commissioner Hijazi attended the Proposition 1 meeting, women's

right to choose. And Commissioner Hijazi also attended Vice President Harris's Environmental Justice Climate Action panel.

Commissioner Hijazi shared that she has resigned from the San Francisco Human Rights Commission, her last meeting will be November 10, 2022. It has been a privilege to serve, respecting the work that the Commission does supporting, uplifting, and elevating our diverse and marginalized communities.

**Commissioner Yee Riley** - Attended a self-help for the elderly annual awards event luncheon, and Campaign for Solidarity Committee meeting and Stand Together SF, as well as the Dream Keeper Initiative monthly community update meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment on this item.

## **7. CONSENT CALENDAR** *(Discussion and Possible Action Item)*

- a) Adoption Of The September 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes: Review and anticipated adoption of minutes from the Commission's September 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes.
- b) Motion to approve the Dream Keeper Initiative narrative shift grant for Scholastic Interest Group in the amount of \$50,000 and extend the grant term to June 31, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- c) Motion to approve the Dream Keeper Initiative narrative shift grant for Curry Senior Center in the amount of \$150,000 and extend the grant term to June 31, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- d) Motion to approve the Dream Keeper Initiative narrative shift grant for San Francisco African American Arts and Cultural District in the amount of \$75,000 and extend the grant term to June 31, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- e) Motion to approve the Dream Keeper Initiative narrative shift grant for Queer Woman of Color Media Arts Project (QWOCMAP) in the amount of \$250,000 and extend the grant term to June 31, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- f) Motion to approve the Dream Keeper Initiative grant for TGI Justice Project in the amount of \$343,751.00 and extend the grant term to June 31, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the

Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.

- g) Motion to amend the Opportunities for All: Youth Events, Programs, and Capacity Building grant agreement to Rafiki Coalition for Health and Wellness to increase the grant by \$100,000 and extend the grant term to November 30, 2022, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- h) Motion to amend the Dream Keeper Initiative Community Innovations grant agreement to J & J Community Resource Center (authorized by Grant No. DKI-CI-004) to increase the grant by \$184,000 and extend the grant term to January 31, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- i) Motion to amend the Dream Keeper Initiative Brighter Futures grant agreement to Zaccho Dance Theatre (authorized DKI-BF-009) to increase the grant by \$277, 279 and extend the grant term to June 30, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Human Rights Commission to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the forementioned amount at this time.
- j) Motion to amend the Dream Keeper Initiative grant agreement to Collective Impact (authorized by DKI-NS-003) to increase the grant by \$350,000 and extend the grant term to June 30, 2024, and to authorize the Director of the Dream Keeper Initiative to enter into a grant agreement not to exceed the aforementioned amount at this time.

**Public Comment** – There was no public comment on this item.

Commissioner Pellegrini moved to separate 7a, September 22, 2022 meeting minutes and approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Aquino Seconded.

By acclimation the motion was approved.

Commissioner Pellegrini moved to to table the consent calendar items 7b through j . Seconded by Commissioner Sweet.

By acclimation the motion was approved.

## **8. 1:05:22 ADJOURNMENT**

Transcription of the meeting minutes are available upon request to the Commission Secretary, [cathy.mulkeymeyer@sfgov.org](mailto:cathy.mulkeymeyer@sfgov.org).