



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

APPROVED

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

DATE: Wednesday, May 13, 2020

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Urbana City Council Chambers
Urbana City Building
400 South Vine Street
Urbana, Illinois 61801
*Virtually Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Frances Rigberg, Lisa Mosley, Peter Resnick,

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Carol Bradford, Stacie Burnett, Lolita Dumas, Daniel Larson,

STAFF PRESENT: Vacellia Clark, Tamra Jane Corbin

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

Frances Rigberg Baker called this meeting of the Urbana Human Relations Commission to order at 5:30 p.m. Roll was taken. A quorum was not present.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. **March 11, 2020 Meeting** - Draft minutes were not voted on as a quorum was not present.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- a. Danielle Chynoweth shared concerns previously brought before the commission of violations of the human rights code with regards to housing in Urbana. Ms. Chynoweth asked the commission to address this issue. Ms. Chynoweth also shared her concerns with a recent event involving the Urbana Police Department and the use of force during that event.
- b. Christopher Hansen shared concerns about the Urbana Civilian Police Review Board complaint process and its lack of response to his communications regarding his concerns. He stated that many of the failures lie with City staff and he would like the Human Relations Commission to look into these issues.
- c. Sarah Nixon shared her concerns of discrimination regarding a recent event involving the Urbana Police Department. She would like to suggest the commission expand resources available to citizens that may not be in a position to file a complaint on their own behalf, or that may need extra support.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Discussion – “Publicity Campaign In Housing and Employment.”

Frances Rigberg presented ideas from a campaign she was involved with previously and shared ideas on how it may relate to a publicity campaign for the HRC.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. EEO workforce statistics

Applications were not voted on as a quorum was not present.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Frances Rigberg declared the meeting to be adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamra Jane Corbin
Recording Secretary