



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION

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Thursday, January 17, 2019

5:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Room 111 (Madison Municipal Building)

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting is called to order by Corinda Rainey-Moore at 5:02 PM.

Present: Corinda Rainey-Moore, Charles McDowell, Danielle Dieringer,  
Rebecca Kemble, Caitlin Badsing, Melany Ramey, Richelle Andrae  
Absent: Sheray Wallace, Zach Madden, Dion Jones

Staff: Britni Sutton & Byron Bishop

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ramey moves to approve the minutes from December 13, 2018 meeting.  
McDowell seconds. Passed by voice vote.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. [54364](#) Changing the process for EOD Complaints: Updates to the Mediation Process

Attachments: [Draft EOD Mediation Process.pdf](#)

Rebecca Below presents a draft of new rules for the EOC that would allow the mediation process to occur separately from the investigation process of EOD cases. See attachment.

The Commissioners propose adding some additional language that would provide timeframes for the following steps: x.21, x.14, x.23, x.233.

Commissioners will review the drafted document and revisit this item at the next meeting for any further discussion or approval.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. [53601](#) Housing Issues in Madison: What can the EOC do and who can they partner with to address the continuing problems?

Commissioners discuss recent issues around the Tree Lane apartments. Kemble reveals that the Hartland leases are void because they did not include language to protect domestic violence victims.

The Commissioners would like there to be a contract or rule that allows landlords and tenants to mediate before evicting. They also want to find ways to make sure property management companies, especially those that are based out of the city or state, get educated about the City's laws so that these issues will occur less often.

Representatives from Public Health will be at the next EOC Meeting. George Hank from Building Inspection will be attending the next Executive Committee meeting.

3. [51456](#) Work Groups Updates: CDA Work Group; Housing Stock Work Group; MPD & Convictions Work Group

The workgroups will summarize their work by presenting three main findings or priorities for each group. This will be presented at the February meeting.

4. [54363](#) Equal Opportunities Division Annual Report

Attachments: [2018 EOD Annual Report .pdf](#)

See attachment for the report.

A focus for 2019 is to continue to make sure the community knows the EOD exists, which will be done by enhancing our virtual presence (short videos, social media, commercials, etc) as well as continuing our trainings through out the state.

5. [08357](#) Division Manager's Report

Bishop requests a date for the 2019 EOC Retreat. The Commissioners decided that April 11th will be the date and it will be scheduled for 5-9pm. The location is to be determined.

Kemble requests that our meeting in May be held at Mendota School so the "Peers Uplifting Peers" group can present their findings around their activism in addressing housing issues in the community. The Commissioners agree.

## ADJOURNMENT

McDowell moves to adjourn the meeting. Dieringer seconds the motion. The meeting is adjourned at 5:51 PM