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Meeting Minutes EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Thursday, July 8, 2021

5:00 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 5:03pm, Rainey-Moore presiding.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff: Chelsea Schult

1. PUBLIC COMMENT (07/08/21 meeting)

Juliana Bennett, 509 N Lake St, Neither support nor oppose, 66267

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by McDowell, seconded by Ramey, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Truth and Listening Proposal

A motion was made by Neugent, seconded by Ramey, to move forward with Agenda Item 2 and add it to the August meeting for further discussion as a Truth and Reconciliation Process. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. EOC Elections and Term Limits

The Commission decided to form an Elections Committee, consisting of Melanie Ramey (Chair), Autumn Neugent, and Brian Benford. The Committee will reach out to Commissioners for nominations, and the full Commission will vote on the nominations at the August meeting.

4. Plan for EOC meeting method in accordance with the City guidelines

The Commisison discussed whether to hold their future meetings in-person or to continue virtually. A majority decision was reached to continue to meet virtually for now.

5. City Fair Housing RFP
The Commission is to share their suggestions and ideas with DCR staff, Byron Bishop and Chelsea Schult.

6. EOD Manager Report:
Technology updates, HUD Project updates, Training and Outreach, Special Projects, Employment/Housing/Public Accommodations Updates
Byron Bishop, Equal Opportunities Division Manager, shared an update on the work of EOD/DCR with the Commission.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Housing Issues in Madison: What can the EOC do and who can they partner with to address the continuing problems?
The Commission would like to invite Chez Ordonez from Regalis Management to the August meeting.

The Commission discussed the Homeless Encampment Evictions at Reindahl Park, and a referred item surrounding this topic will be on the August agenda.

8. How can the EOC communicate and share information with the public.
The Commission would like to keep this as a discussion item for future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Schieve, seconded by Wallace, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm.