



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Mission Statement

The mission of the City of Jackson Human Relations Commission is to serve as an official agency of the City of Jackson, responsible for advising and making recommendations to the City Manager and City Council concerning good human relations, combating discrimination within the community wherever it exists, and for acting to promote needed change.

Date: Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Place: City Hall, 2nd Floor Chambers
161 W. Michigan Ave., Jackson MI, 49201

- I. Call to Order at 6:00pm, by Cheryl Ragland.
- II. Roll Call. Cheryl Ragland, Amy Rich, Robert VanSumeren, Maurice Imhoff, Barbara Holt, James Johnson, Jr., Arlene Robinson, Doria LaPorte. Absent: Miriam Brown Dorsey, Donna Brown (not yet seated).
- III. Adoption of the Agenda. Motion to adopt the agenda, VanSumeren. Second, Rich. Unanimously passed.
- IV. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit). No citizen comments.
- V. Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes. Motion to approve, Imhoff. Second, Holt. Unanimously passed.
- VI. Community Liaison Police Officer Report. Lt. Postma. Equity audit is coming up. Recently made an arrest on a homicide. New recruit begins solo patrols tomorrow. Recruitment team has been quite busy. Chili cookoff coming up, recruiting will occur. College job fairs are starting up. Two new cadets hired in.
- VII. Committee Reports.
 - Nominating Committee (Dorsey, Holt, Imhoff, Rich). Update from Maurice. A meeting has been set for additional interviews, 6:00pm.
 - Project Development Committee (Rich, Ragland, Imhoff). See below.
 - Policy and Complaint Committee (VanSumern, Imhoff, Dorsey). Update: JPD Policy Exploratory Committee, DEI review by external agency is ongoing. Letter to Dir. Hitt is drafted, ready to send.
 - Public Relations/Communications Committee (Rich, Dorsey). HRC Brochure Update.

- Finance Report (VanSumern, Holt). No update at this time.
- VIII. Old Business
- a. HWB 2024.
 - 1 Sponsors: Baker College, Jackson College, NAACP (pending).
 - 2 Tickets: Will increase food count.
 - 3 Maurice will be MC.
 - 4 Motion to allow Chair Ragland to arrange for table decorations, not to exceed \$1,000.00, VanSumeren. Second, Rich. Unanimously passed.
 - b. NAACP event- 8 seats (Gene Davis/ 5 PM/ October 20, 2024). October 20, 2024.
- IX. New Business. No new business.
- X. City Councilmember Liaison Comments.
- XI. Commissioner's Comments.
- XII. City Staff Liaison Comments.
- XIII. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm, Johnson. Second, Holt. Unanimously passed.

These minutes were collected from my notes and from the best of my recollection.

Humbly submitted,

Robert W. VanSumeren, Secretary
Human Relations Commission
City of Jackson