

LEGAL ACTION SUMMARY

**Human Relations Commission
Tuesday, February 8, 2022
6:00 p.m. – Call to Order**

Virtual

Microsoft Teams meeting

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Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 notice is hereby given to the members of the Human Relations Commission and the general public that the Commission will hold a meeting open to the public on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:00pm for the purpose of discussing matters on its agenda.

This meeting will be held virtually through Microsoft Teams at the following link: [Click here to join the meeting](#) or by dialing the conference number and entering the ID listed above. Public comments may be submitted to Jonae Harrison by email or phone no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 8, 2022.

AGENDA

1. Chair/Vice Chair Election

Acting Chair Donati-Grayman opened the floor for the nominations of Chair and Vice Chair.

Commissioner Vawter nominated Commissioner Tapia as Chair.

Commissioner Granillo seconded the nomination of Commissioner Tapia for Chair.

Commissioner Tapia accepted the nomination for Chair.

**Commissioner Tapia spoke to the Commission on why he felt he would be the best person for the position of HRC Chair. The Commission voted and the final vote for Chair was: 9 – 0
Ayes: Acting Chair Donati-Grayman and Commissioners Melissa Farling, Rabbanni Furqaan, Jana Lynn Granillo, Will Ortega, David Reynolds, Joe Rojas, Hugo Tapia, and Kate Vawter. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioners Peggie Simmons and Candyce Lindsay.
Commissioner Tapia will be the new HRC Chair starting in March 2022.**

Commissioner Vawter nominated Commissioner Ortega as Vice Chair.

Commissioner Granillo seconded the nomination of Commissioner Ortega for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Ortega accepted the nomination for Vice Chair.

Commissioner Rojas nominated Acting Chair Donati-Grayman for Vice Chair.

(Clerks Note: The motion failed due to lack of a second to the motion.)

Commissioner Donati-Grayman accepted the nomination of Vice Chair.

Each nominated Commissioner spoke to the Commission on why they felt they would be the best person for the position of HRC Vice Chair. The Commission voted and the final vote for Vice Chair was: 5 votes for Commissioner Ortega and 4 votes for Acting Chair Donati-Grayman. Votes for Commissioner Ortega: Commissioners Hugo Tapia, Jana Lynn Granillo, Melissa Farling, Will Ortega, and Acting Chair Michelle Donati-Grayman. Votes for Acting Chair Donati-Grayman: Commissioners David Reynolds, Kate Vawter, Joe Rojas, and Rabbanni Furqaan. Absent: Commissioners Peggie Simmons and Candyce Lindsay. Commissioner Ortega will be the new HRC Vice Chair starting in March 2022.

2. Public Appearances

The Human Relations Commission welcomes public comment at this time. There is a five-minute time limit per person. ** Please note we encourage the community to attend, participate and contact us. If we can assist or partner with you on an issue, we ask you to place the topic on the agenda for the next meeting. In this way, the Commission will serve notice to the community of our discussion, consideration, and possible action on the topic. Please feel free to speak with any Commissioner or Commission staff member so we may assist you.

DISCUSSION

3. Consideration of Minutes: HRC – December 14, 2021

Motion made by Commissioner Farling to approve the meeting minutes of December 14, 2021; Second by Commissioner Donati-Grayman. Motion passed on an 9-0 vote. Ayes: Chair Tapia, Vice Chair Ortega, and Commissioners Michelle Donati-Grayman, Melissa Farling, Rabbanni Furqaan, Jana Lynn Granillo, David Reynolds, Joe Rojas, and Kate Vawter. Nays: None. Absent: Commissioner Peggie Simmons and Candyce Lindsay.

4. Presentation: Belonging Dialogues, Raquel Gutierrez

DISCUSSION

5. Update: Dolores Huerta Day of Social Justice and Advocacy

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6. Update: State of the Neighborhoods Event

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7. Proposed Future Agenda Items – Opportunity for Commission members to raise potential future agenda items. No discussion or legal action will be taken on items requested for future agendas.

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8. Upcoming Meeting – Tuesday, March 8, 2022

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