



**Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes  
February 5, 2020**

**Meeting called to order at 6:09 p.m.**

**Location:** Aurora Municipal Center, 15151 E. Alameda Parkway, Aurora, Colorado, Aspen Room

**Roll Call:**

- **Present:** Commissioners Rivera, Futrell, Wiles, King, Ehizuelen
- **Absent:** Commissioners Fung (excused), Gilford (excused), Herlihy (excused), Rodriguez (excused)

**Quorum:** Yes

**City of Aurora staff (Community Relations division):** Claudine McDonald, Manager, Joshua Nicholas, Neighborhood Liaison, and Aruny Phanekham, Administrative Assistant

**Minutes:** Commissioner Wiles moved to approve the Jan. 8, 2020 minutes. Commissioner Futrell seconded the motion. Minutes approved without objection.

**Public Invited to Speak:** None

**Guest/Presenter:** Nallely Gutierrez, Access Aurora

Agenda Item	Minutes	Action Items & Responsible Person
Chair Report: Chair Gilford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CAC Meetings (Charles and Coffee)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chair Gilford would like to have a quarterly coffee checking with each commissioner. (Optional) Please email him with preferred dates and times.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• HRC will be doing a report out to PRCTLBCCG 6/17/20</li> <li>• HRC Representation               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chair Gilford will be presenting to the Aurora Chapter National Federation of the Blind of Colorado in March or April.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Board Photo</li> </ul>	<p>- Commissioners will email Claudine and Joshua to communicate committee meeting times.</p> <p>- Commission to select photo date at 3/4/2020 meeting.</p>
Staff Report: Claudine McDonald	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared Community Relations updates to include: MLK 2020 event wrap-up, Cesar Chavez &amp; Dolores Huerta Community Celebration, National Volunteer Week, Community Spirit Awards and Aurora Youth Expo.</li> </ul>	
Legal Precedence Case Updates: Paul Henrion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided overview of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Uber EEOC settlement                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="https://www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/newsroom/release/12-18-19.cfm">https://www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/newsroom/release/12-18-19.cfm</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>○ EEOC 2019 Charge Date                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="https://www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/newsroom/release/1-24-20.cfm">https://www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/newsroom/release/1-24-20.cfm</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	





<p>Committee Report:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Executive committee:</b> no report</li> <li>• <b>Administrative/Legislative action:</b> no update</li> <li>• <b>Marketing committee:</b> no update</li> <li>• <b>Outreach and education:</b> Commissioners Piner and Ehizuelen are working with Meg Allen (Neighborhood Liaison) on the Good Neighbor Project.</li> <li>• <b>Partnerships and events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kevin Hempstead shared updates regarding the Black History Month art contest to be held at DAVA on 2/28/2020, 6 p.m. Contest theme is “Remembering the Past to Create the Future”. APS and Cherry Creek Public Schools have received information about the event. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will receive a financial award. Mr. Hempstead agreed to donate \$1,000 to the commission to fund financial awards for art competition winners.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>- Community Relations to secure food, beverages, event signage, and participation certificates for students who submit artwork.</p>
<p>New Business:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Relations division presented a program proposal to the commission regard a city of Aurora LGBTQ+ Summit. Commissioner Futrell moved to approved to proposal which was seconded by Commissioner Rivera. The proposal was approved unanimously as presented with the commission allocating \$3,000 in financial support for the event.</li> </ul>	<p>- Joshua to take lead on LGBTQ+ Summit and will work with Partnerships and Event subcommittee to engage in planning process.</p>
<p>Items of Discussion:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Topics in the News:</b> n/a</li> <li>• <b>Talking Points:</b> Black History Month art competition</li> </ul>	
<p>Commissioner City Council Reports:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioner Futrell encouraged commissioners to call, email, and set-up face-to-face meetings with city council members if they are having a difficult time connecting with elected officials via town hall and ward meetings.</li> </ul>	

**Meeting Adjournment:** Commissioner Piner moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Wiles. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

**Upcoming HRC meetings:** April 1, May 6, June 3 - 6 p.m., in the Aspen Room of the Aurora Municipal Center.

Minutes transcribed by: Joshua Nicholas on 2/28/2019 at 10:45 a.m.

APPROVED: Lauren Piner

Print: Lauren Piner

Date: 3/4/20

