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**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY OCTOBER 14, 2021 at 4:30 P.M.**

The Human Relations Commission convened in regular session in person at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, October 14, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chair Rhonda Smith.

I. Call to Order -Roll Call of Attendance: 4:30pm

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Smith, Jones, and Doctora

Commissioners Absent: Commissioners Ajayi, Carey and Konam

Staff Present: Nikita Richards

II. Public Comment- None.

III. Introduction of New Commissioner:

The Human Relations Commission welcomed Commissioner Vivian Kong Doctora to the commission. Commissioner Doctora provided her background and vision for service on the Human Relations Commission.

IV. Voting While Not In Person:

Commissioner Jones made a motion to have those who are attending the meeting via phone be able to vote. Seconded by Commissioner Doctora.

All in favor.

Motion Carried.

V. Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Jones made motion to approve the minutes for September 9th. Seconded by Commissioner Doctora.

All in favor.

Motion Carried and minutes approved.

VI. Agenda Items

a. BPD Traffic Stop Racial Disparity - Next Steps

The Commission discussed the data that was summarized and each suggested next steps but chose to table further discussion until more Commissioners were in attendance for the conversation. No decisions or recommendations were made.

Chair Smith indicated that she would like to have recommendations finalized by



the December meeting and an invitation made to Chief Simington to join the January 2022 Human Relations Commission meeting. Chief Simington will be made aware of the Commissions' recommendations prior to the January meeting. Ms. Richards will send the invitation to Chief Simington.

b. Reminder – November meeting date & location change due to holiday

Ms. Richards reminded the Commission that according to the 2021 Boards & Commission calendar, the next HRC meeting will be held on Friday, November 12, 2021 due to the Veterans Day Holiday. She also informed them that the location would be changed, and details will be emailed to Commissioners with these changes.

VII. Old Business

- a. None.**

VIII. New Business

- a. None.**

I. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: November 12, 2021

II. Adjournment: 5:33 pm



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