

MINUTES

ROLL CALL

Present: Fox, Kirkeeng, Nailon, Ralston Aoki, Lee

Excused: Murphy

Absent: Smith, Dlugose

City Liaison: Brookes

Guest: Tim Sandvik, City Manager

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of agenda of July 24, 2025.

Motion to approve agenda: Lee

Second: Fox

Motion carried.

ICEBREAKER

Share a memory when someone was kind to you.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- A. Review and approve Commission meeting minutes from July 24, 2025.
Review and accept Subcommittee meeting minutes from July 28 and August 23, 2025.

Motion to approve minutes of 7/24: Kirkeeng

Second: Nailon

Motion carried.

Motion to accept minutes of subcommittee meeting of 7/28 and 8/23: Fox

Second: Lee

Motion carried.

CHAIR REPORT

Ralston Aoki: Reports of the removal of federal minimum wage protection for certain classes of workers.

VICE-CHAIR REPORT

Kirkeeng shared resources from Trans Equity Summit which she attended.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Obergefell event debrief. Video link is available at <https://reflect-ccx.cablecast.tv/CablecastPublicSite/show/38289?site=20>

Fox: Speakers were well received, was a nice event, people reported feeling empowered and left with practical resources. Would like to have celebratory get-together. Potential date Sept 21, 2nd choice Sept 7.

- B. RPHC work and community engagement

- 1. South Halifax Park event

2. Lilac Parkway building meeting
3. Immigration law event
4. Sanborn Park renaming

South Halifax

Ralston Aoki: Date will be October 4, 1-3 pm. Looks like a good community for a meet & greet. Would like to make info available about community resources like care seats, adult services at Henn Co, food shelves. Will look into gift card donations for raffles.

Sandvik: Council formally accepts and recognizes any donations.

Kirkeeng: Lions Club may be able to help with food.

Brookes: Sustainability coordinator may be able to provide info on energy audits, etc.

Nailon: looking into logistics about the park, RPD resources.

Lee: Information about Rec financial assistance.

Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for September 6 at 11:00 am.

Lilac Parkway

Nailon working on this- Ralston Aoki will loop Philip Gray in.

Immigration Law Event: updates pending from Murphy, Smith

Sanborn renaming

Lee has drafted a name suggestion with an explanation of the reasoning. Submissions are due September 17.

C. Camping on Public Property Ordinance update

Ralston Aoki: Ordinance did not pass. What is process from this point? HRC is ready to be involved.

Sandvik: Second reading was in July. There may be some next steps emerging in September.

D. Main Street Meet and greet on Monday, Sept 15, 2025

Ralston Aoki: Reminder on this event: Lee, Fox, Smith, can attend. Ralston Aoki cannot attend.

E. DEI Commission Forum event in Minnetonka on Tuesday, Sept 30, 2025.

Ralston Aoki- there are 6 spaces for the HRC at this event. Kirkeeng, Lee, Nailon (maybe) are available.

Ralston Aoki will check with Murphy, Dlugose.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Feedback on draft policy related to Commissioner conduct

Ralston Aoki summarized the sample document. Has some suggested edits.

Sandvik: This would be citywide if/when adopted.

B. Golden Valley neighbor event on Thurs, Sept 18. <https://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/743/Building-An-Equitable-Golden-Valley-BAEG>

Ralston Aoki: Can attend. Look at BAEG page on Golden Valley website.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Nailon: no update

Fox: Saw Amy Klobuchar at State Fair, shared news of pro-community ordinance.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sandvik: Code requires annual update from HRC. In the past there has been an annual update. Would like to

see some formal time dedicated to sharing key data points, annual overview, and goals with Council. Could share history for more recent commissioners. 10-15 minutes of history, then discussion. November date would be good.

Lee: Good to do before strategic planning so that council can let us know what they would like to see from us.

Ralston Aoki: Reporting, what we see our role is, what is Council's vision going forward? Agenda item for September meeting.

A. Ideas for guest speakers to invite to future meetings

Tabled for next meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned 9:13 pm.