



**CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION  
CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM 2B, 420 N. POKEGAMA AVE.**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2019**

**TIME: 4:00 P.M.**

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***MISSION STATEMENT***

*The Mission of the Grand Rapids Human Rights Commission is to promote a community of harmony and respect for the rights and dignity of all.*

4:00 CALL TO ORDER:

CALL OF ROLL:

Commissioner Hall: 3/17 – 3/20

Commissioner Ensley, Vice Chair: 3/18 – 3/21

Commissioner Learmont: 3/16 – 3/19

Commissioner Friesen: 3/18 – 3/21

Vacant: 3/20

Commissioner Schirber: 3/17 – 3/20

Commissioner Noyce: 3/16 – 3/19

Commissioner Weidendorf: 3/16 – 3/19

Commissioner Moren, Chair: 3/18 – 3/21

SETTING OF REGULAR AGENDA:

This is an opportunity to approve the regular agenda as presented or add/delete an Agenda item by a majority vote of the Commission members present.

PRESENTATION:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 13, 2019 Meeting

FINANCIALS:

PUBLIC COMMENT/ACCOLADES:

This is an opportunity for anyone from the public to address the Commission with comments, concerns and accolades.

CIRCLE OF HEALING UPDATE:

BIG VIEW UPDATE:

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on 2019 work plan - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

NEW BUSINESS:

CALLS/COMPLAINTS/INQUIRIES:

ADJOURNMENT:

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof a special meeting of the Grand Rapids Human Rights Commission was held in Conference Room 2B, Grand Rapids City Hall, Grand Rapids, Minnesota, on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

**CALL OF ROLL:** On a Call of Roll, the following members were present: Commissioners Alice Moren, Deanna Ensley, Melissa Weidendorf, Frieda Hall, and Karen Noyce.

**Absent:** Commissioners Doug Learmont, Lea Friesen and John Schirber

**Setting the Agenda:** Motion by Hall, second by Weidendorf to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** January 2, 2019 Regular Meeting  
Motion by Noyce, second by Hall to approve minutes for January 2, 2019 as presented.  
Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Financials:** Reviewed financials through December 31, 2018. Remaining balance of \$12.00 was absorbed into the City budget. New balance as of January 1, 2019 for Human Rights Commission is \$5,000.00.

**Motion by Weidendorf, second by Noyce to accept the financials as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Public Input:** None.

**Circle of Healing:** Reminder for presentation of "Neither Wolf Nor Dog" on February 20, 2019 at ICC, Chucker Auditorium.

**Big View:** Though many projects are in progress, there are no specific dates or events to report on at this time.

### **Old Business:**

- 2019 Work Plan, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter: Commissioner Ensley reports that the Minnesota Dept. of Human Rights will provide a representative to speak in Grand Rapids. A specific speaker and date has not yet been determined. After review, members determine that further prioritizing is not necessary. Work Plan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter will be reviewed at March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **New Business:**

- Sponsorship request: Due to meeting issues, the Commission was unable to take action regarding sponsoring presentation "Neither Wolf Nor Dog," but will participate in the event and encourage others to do so as well. Staff will post a notice of possible quorum.
- 2020 Budget Development: Discussed becoming more proactive, collaborating with the Census and elections to encourage protected classes to vote and make sure all have the opportunity to be counted. Budget should include annual expenses, new programs/plans for community involvement, training for Commission members and public relations. This item will be discussed in further detail at the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- **Reports to City Council:** The City Council will be hearing from various boards and commissions throughout the year. Human Rights Commission has been scheduled to give an annual report on July 22, 2019 at the 5:00 pm Council meeting.

**Calls/Complaints/Inquiries:** None.

With no other business, Commissioner Moren adjourned the meeting at 4:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk

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**SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018**

	<u>Actual 12/31/2018</u>
<b>Human Rights Budgeted Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 5,000</b>
One Crisis Away Campaign Feb18	500
Speaker Sponsors ICC Conference Mar18	500
Indigenous People's Day Expenses Oct18	812
Immigration Education Series Expenses Nov & Dec18	3,521
Busticogan Painting	650
2018 Postage	5
2018 Copies	<u>6</u>
<b>Blandin Foundation Immigrant Education Grant</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Balance Available</b>	<b><u>\$ 5</u></b>
<b>2019 Human Rights Budget - Available</b>	<b>\$ 5,000</b>

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