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**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

January 27, 2021, 12:00 p.m.

**I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL**

- Meeting called to order at 12:28 p.m.
- Commissioners in Attendance: Jay Sanderson, Nirinjan Singh Khalsa, Melany de la Cruz-Viesca, Courtney Morgan-Green, Anthony Mack, Irma Beserra Nunez, Angelica Solis Montero

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November meeting minutes approved.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** No public comments were made.

**IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Executive Director Maddox shared that the Civil, Human Rights, and Equity Department (CHRED) has worked with the Mayor's Office and community-based organizations to provide food delivery services as well as thermometer distribution resources to communities in need during the pandemic.
- Director Maddox also shared that the construction of the Civil, Human Rights, and Equity Department workspace is 9% complete and gave a brief report on how the work space for the new department is being developed during the construction phase
- Additionally, she reported that the Department's Twitter handle is now being monitored by our communications representative, Mark Pampanin.
- Lastly, Director Maddox emphasized that a key goal for the department in the short term is to lift up the enforcement division which will prioritize complaints as it relates to commerce, education, employment, and housing.

## **V. AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- Ad hoc Committee on Immigration: Commissioner Irma Beserra Nunez reported on behalf of Chair Irene Tovar who was not able to be present at the meeting. She highlighted the success of the immigration webinar and shared efforts of the committee to focus on the importance of dissemination of information to immigrant communities. She reported that Channel 35 will be translating the webinar into Spanish and there will another promotional effort to share it with the Spanish speaking community. She also reported possible collaboration with a major Spanish television network.
- Ad hoc Committee on Racial Equity: Commissioner Mack shared that the committee conducted an informal discussion roundtable with youth as well as a formal roundtable which included youth along with key community stakeholders. The roundtable discussion explored best practices to connect underserved youth with upward mobility programming. He noted that a summary report will be forthcoming and will include recommendations from the roundtable.
- Ad hoc Committee on the Dinner Dialogue Report: Commissioner Morgan-Greene shared a detailed account of the Dinner Dialogue Reconvening that took place on Thursday January 21, 2021 via Zoom and included highlights from the various break-out groups. She noted that the committee achieved its goal of reconvened members of the original dialogues along with LAPD to share recommendations from the 2019 final report, and to acknowledge the community's significant contributions. She also stated that the reconvening was a way to revisit if any next steps are needed post the George Floyd and recent social movement. Finally she noted that the committee will revisit gaps that may have occurred during the dialogue event and consider the possibility of reconvening some of focus group, including the youth group.

**VI. PRESENTATION:** No presentations were made.

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Commissioner President Solis-Montero referenced a statement issued by the HRC regarding the riots that occurred on Capitol Hill earlier this month. The statement was issued in coordination with the Civil, Human rights and Equity Department.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 1:58 p.m.