



**City of Davis**  
**Human Relations Commission Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 25, 2021**  
**6:30 P.M.**

**1. Call to Order & Roll Call**

*Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 6:30*

*Commission Members Present: Sheila Allen (Chair), Yvonne Clinton (arrived 6:35), NJ Mvondo, Emma O'Rourke-Powell, Judith Plank (Vice Chair), Angela Willson, Edgar Wong-Chen (alternate)*

*Commission Members Absent: Helen Roland*

*Others Present: Leanne Friedman (Faith Based ex officio), Kate Snow (DJUSD ex officio), Rahim Reed (UC Davis ex-officio)*

*Council Liaisons Present: Mayor Partida*

*Staff: Carrie Dyer, Management Analyst, City Manager's Office  
Kelly Stachowicz, Assistant City Manager, City Manager's Office*

**2. Approval of Agenda (6:31)**

*Willson moved, with a second by Plank approval of the agenda as presented. Motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Allen, Mvondo, O'Rourke-Powell, Plank, Willson, Wong-Chen*

*NOES: None*

*ABSENT: Clinton, Roland*

**3. Brief Announcements from Staff, Commissioners and Liaisons (6:35)**

- Snow – update on DJUSD re-opening and issues involving equity. Ethnic Studies task force update.*
- Reed – Principals of Community Celebration week, update on events of week.*
- Partida – Would like commission and other community groups, DJUSD to participate in one or more of the week long Principals of Community Celebration events – Using the Principals of One Community statement.*
- Willson – On City of Davis Community Advisory board. Officer is now assigned to downtown patrol.*
- Clinton – Sent final report for Davis Centennial Seal with historical families of communities of color*
- NJ – Ethnic Studies conversation next Friday within Yolo County*

**4. Public Comment (6:45)**

*None*

**5. Consent Calendar (6:55)**

*February 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes*

*Clinton move with second by Plank to approve February 4 minutes as presented. Motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Allen, Clinton, Mvondo, O'Rourke-Powell, Plank, Willson, Wong-Chen*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Roland*

## **6. Regular Items**

### **A. Presentation from Subcommittee on Meeting with Local People Power**

*The Commission received an update and proposal from the subcommittee on their meeting with Yolo People Power, discussing a potential recommendation to partner on a community outreach project. Local Voices rep provided an update on their proposed project. The subcommittee suggested a possible HRC co-sponsorship on community outreach project.*

*Public Comment:*

*No comment*

*Clarification on what HRC sponsorship means – Historical, General Survey and Facilitated Review*

*O'Rourke – Powell moves with second by Willson that the Human Relations Commission formally co-sponsor Local Voices Community Outreach project*

*Allen proposed friendly amendment clarifying that the co-sponsorship would go to the City Council for approval. O'Rourke-Powell and Willson accept amendment.*

*Motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Allen, Clinton, Mvondo, O'Rourke-Powell, Plank, Willson, Wong-Chen*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Roland*

### **B. Review of Proposed Resolution Condemning Racism of and Standing in Support of Asian American and Pacific Islanders**

*The Commission received a proposed resolution condemning racism of and standing in support of Asian American and Pacific Islanders and provided feedback, prior to the resolution going to the City Council.*

*No Public Comment*

*Edgar moved with second by Clinton to accept the proposed resolution as amended.*

*Motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Allen, Clinton, Mvondo, O'Rourke-Powell, Plank, Willson, Wong-Chen*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Roland*

### **C. Work Plan Review**

*The Commission began review of their work plan and determined focus areas and tasks for the upcoming year. The item will continue at the next meeting.*

*Focus areas:*

- *Health and Public Safety Improvements*
- *Community Conversation and Outreach*
- *Climate Action*
- *Response to Current Social Climate*

*Potential Items to work on:*

- *Multicultural Calendar*
- *Inventory of topics that intersect with other commissions*
- *Brainstorm the idea of land acknowledgment*

*Clinton moved with second by Mvondo to have majority of the work of the HRC be to help facilitate and be involved in community conversations.*

*Motion passed as follows:*

*AYES: Allen, Clinton, Mvondo, O'Rourke-Powell, Plank, Willson, Wong-Chen*

*NOES: None*

*ABSTAIN: None*

*ABSENT: Roland*

#### **D. Cesar Chavez Celebration**

*The Commission discussed ideas to recognize Cesar Chavez in lieu of holding the annual celebration.*

- *Mariachi Puente provide video*
- *Highlight Filipino Community in any work done*
- *Little videos a week before*
- *Shout out to our local groups (labor groups), migrant center, people working to make sure our migrant and ag workers have access to vaccine, etc.*
- *Essential workers*
- *Future focus on Labor movement highlight struggles*

#### **E. Prop 68 Grant Application**

*The City of Davis is preparing an application for a Prop 68 grant to fund an interactive water feature in Central Park. The commission received an overview of the project and provided feedback and ideas on the outreach process.*

- *Survey to students at UCD design*
- *Accessibility*
- *Long term*
- *Incorporate theme*

**7. Future Agenda Items**

- *Yolo Climate Coalition Presentation*
- *History of the Gandhi art installation and update on recent vandalism*
- *Subcommittee Update*
- *Workplan*
- *Asian Heritage and Pacific Islander Stance against racism, actionable items*

**8. Commission and Staff Communications**

*Allen – Vaccine tier update*

**9. Adjourn**

*The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of March 25, 2021.*

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Carrie Dyer  
Management Analyst  
City Manager's Office*