
**CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
December 2, 2015 Action Results**

The Human Relations Advisory Board (HRAB) of the City of Mesa met on December 2, 2015, at 6:00pm in the Upper Level, City Council Chambers, 57 E. First Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Tompert- Chair
Interim
Frank Johnson
Robert Martinez
Cliff Moon
Martin Rios
LuAnn Schmidt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Denise Heap- Chair
Cheryl Anderson-
Vice-Chair
Colleen Byron
Nadia Khalighi
Talmage Pearce

STAFF PRESENT

Bethany Freeland
Ruth Giese
Kelly Gregan
Cmmdr Intrieri
Ray Villa

GUESTS

1. Chair's Call to Order.

Mr. Tompert called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Items from Citizens Present.*

There were no citizens present who requested to speak to the Board.

3. Approval of minutes from the October 28, 2015 HRAB meeting.

Ms. Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2015 meeting. Mr. Moon seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. Hear a presentation by Board member, Martin Rios, regarding 21st Century Policing.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

5. Discuss and take action on Mesa Police Department Monthly Community Engagement Report.

5(a) Updates on Diversity related police incidents and activities.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

5(b) Updates and scheduling of upcoming Police Advisory Board meetings.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.

6. Discuss and take action on items presented by the Youth Diversity Education Team.

- 6(a) Updates on organizing youth community service and diversity education project (including the topic of bullying) with the Baha'i Community, Anti-Defamation League, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Gay Lesbian Education Network.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 6(b) Updates on recent changes to the LDS church organization policies involving children of same-sex couples.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 7. Discuss and take action on items presented by the Disabilities Action Team.
 - 7(a) Updates on the monitoring of the Mesa City Court protocol for diverting defendants who have mental health issues, veterans, or are homeless.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 7(b) Updates on creating options for the best methods and topics to educate the business community on mental health and substance abuse issues for the second town hall meeting.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 7(c) Updates on collecting information and recommendations about ways to support the availability of services and programs for people with disabilities and the implementation of the ADA.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 7(d) Updates on recent changes to the LDS church organization involving same-sex couples.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 8. Discuss and take action on the following standing items outlined in the 2015-17 Strategic Plan.
 - 8(a) Updates by Dr. Byron regarding monitoring the Police Community Forums and the statistics of police activity in the community.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
 - 8(b) Updates on increasing the number of speakers enrolled in the Speaker's Bureau and marketing the availability of the Speaker's Bureau as a community resource.

Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
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- 8(c) Updates on the need for and feasibility of creating a Psychiatric Recovery Center in the East Valley.
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
9. Discuss, consider and take action on participation in the following events:
- 9(a) MLK Banquet and Parade to be held in January 2016.
- Mr. Johnson made a motion to participate in the MLK events being held in January of 2016. Mr. Rios seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- 9(b) 2016 Regional Unity Walk
- Mr. Johnson made a motion to participate in the MLK events being held in January of 2016. Mr. Rios seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
10. Hear reports on conferences and/or meetings attended
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
11. Scheduling of meetings, future agenda items, and general information, including those set forth below.
- 11(a) Next meeting will be held on January 27, 2016.
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
- 11(b) Indie Lens Pop-Up: In Football We Trust on January 21, 2016 at the Dobson Ranch Library located at 2425 S Dobson Rd.
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
- 11(c) MLK Banquet: January 16, 2016
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
- 11(d) MLK Parade: January 18, 2016
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
- 11(e) 2016 Regional Unity Walk: January 30, 2016
- Discussion only; no formal action was taken by the Board.
12. Adjournment.
- The meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.
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***Members of the audience may address the Board on any item. State Statute prohibits the Human Relations Advisory Board from discussing any item that is not on the agenda.**

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