



CITY OF MESA
HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD (HRAB)
August 23, 2023 Minutes

The Human Relations Advisory Board (HRAB) of the City of Mesa met on August 23, 2023 at 6:00pm in the Lower Level, City Council Chambers, 57 E First St.

Table with 4 columns: MEMBERS PRESENT, MEMBERS ABSENT, STAFF PRESENT, GUESTS. Lists names of participants such as Ron Williams, Oscar White, and Andrea Alicoate.

1. Chair's Call to Order.

Mr. Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

(1a) Announcement of excused absences.

Oscar White was announced as an excused absence for this meeting.

(1b) Announcement and introduction of new HRAB members: Sabrina Dobson, Abram Ellsworth and Mahmoud Riyad.

2. Items from Citizens Present. *

No citizens wished to speak to the board.

3. Approval of minutes from the May 24, 2023 HRAB meeting.

It was moved by Ms. Allred and seconded by Ms. Johns that the above-mentioned minutes be accepted as written.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES- Ms. Allred, Ms. Johns, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Campos, Ms. Dobson, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Riyad, Ms. Hammond, Ms. Nonthe-Sanchez, Mr. Williams

NAYS- None

4. Hear, discuss and take action on the selection of Vice-Chair.

It was moved by Mr. Williams and seconded by Ms. Johns that the selection of Ms. Hammond as Vice-Chair be accepted as written.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES- Ms. Allred, Ms. Johns, Mr. Caldwell, Mr. Campos, Ms. Dobson, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Riyad, Ms. Hammond, Ms. Nonthe-Sanchez, Mr. Williams

NAYS- None

5. Hear and discuss a presentation on the previous 2021-2023 HRAB Strategic Plan, including the purpose and function of the HRAB, board process, and role.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

6. Hear and discuss an update on current and future HRAB projects and events for FY 23-24, including the Together Mesa initiative and related programs.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

7. Hear, discuss and provide direction on the 2023-2025 HRAB Strategic Plan.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

8. Discuss and take action on the cancellation or rescheduling of the following Board meetings:

(8a) Rescheduling of November 22, 2023 Board meeting to November 29, 2023.

(8b) Cancellation of December 27, 2022 Board meeting.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board. Board will take action during the next meeting.

9. Scheduling of meetings, future agenda items, and general information.

(9a) Together Mesa Art in the Park Board collaboration meeting will be held on September 13, 2023 at 12pm via ZOOM.

(9b) Together Mesa Art in the Park Board collaboration meeting will be held on September 27, 2023 at 12pm via ZOOM.

(9c) Next HRAB meeting will be held on September 27, 2023 at 6pm in the Lower-Level City Council Chambers (57 E 1st St).

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

10. Hear reports on conferences and/or meetings attended.

Discussion only; no action taken by the Board.

11. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

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Submitted By:



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