

CITY OF KIRKLAND

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Minutes of Regular Meeting

February 26, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

The February 26, 2019, Human Services Commission Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Commission Chair Kimberly Scott.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: Commission Chair Kimberly Scott, Commission Vice Chair Jonathan Stutz, Dianne Bell, Amy Falcone, and David Godfrey

Commissioner Gildas Cheung arrived at 7:12 p.m.

Commissioners Adam White and Mathew Triplett were absent

Staff present: Human Services Supervisor Leslie Miller, Youth Services Coordinator Regula Schubiger

Recording Secretary: Senior Office Specialist Melissa Bartoletti

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve the January 22, 2019 minutes as presented
Moved by Commission Vice Chair Jonathan Stutz, seconded by Commissioner David Godfrey
Motion carried (Yes: 5, No: 0)

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Margit Moore addressed the Commission and was invited to sit with the commission and participate in the discussion.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Review final draft 2019-2020 Work Plan
After discussion, the Commission provided staff direction for further edits, none substantive, on the work plan.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Kirkland Community Needs Overview
Commission shared their takeaways from the overview.

b. Panhandling

Youth Services Coordinator Regula Schubiger gave a presentation introducing the topic of Panhandling and an overview of the Have a Heart Give Smart campaign.

Discussion was held on the topic. Commission members provided follow-up questions. Staff will bring back responses at a later meeting.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Commissioner Reports

Vice Chair Jonathan Stutz provided an update regarding the City response to the Menchie's incident. He shared that he has been invited to attend an implicit bias training session for City staff.

Commissioner Gildas Cheung shared that he went to Olympia to advocate for health policies that would increase mental health treatment capacity.

Diane asked staff about three bills in legislature regarding landlord, tenant use, solving eviction problems and if there is a role for the commission regarding Human Services related bills.

b. Staff Reports and Announcements

Staff and Commissioners celebrated Chair Kimberly Scott's service to the City as a member of the Human Services Advisory Committee and wished her well at her final meeting on the Human Services Commission.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Commission Vice Chair Jonathan Stutz moved to adjourn. Commissioner David Godfrey seconded. Motion carried (Yes: 5, No: 0). The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.