

**CITY OF KIRKLAND  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION  
Minutes of Meeting  
April 27, 2021**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at: 6:34pm

**2. ROLL CALL**

Chair Jonathan Stutz, Michelle Alten-Kaehler, David Godfrey, Jory Hamilton, and Max Reisman  
Marjorie Carlson arrived at 6:37pm; Gildas Cheung arrived at 6:45pm  
Co-Chair Diane Bell absent

Staff Present – Betsy Maxwell, Program Coordinator; Leslie Miller, Human Services Supervisor;  
Anny Smith, Human Services Coordinator, Lynn Zwaagstra, Parks & Community Services  
Director

Meeting Recorder: Regi Schubiger, Youth Services Coordinator

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. March 23, 2021

Motion to Approve the March 23, 2021 minutes as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Jory Hamilton, seconded by Commissioner Michelle Alten-Kahler  
Motion carried (Yes: 5, No: 0).

**4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

The Commission heard from Helen Banks Routon and Jim McEachran with Eastside Baby  
Corner; Courtney Nolen-Viducich with Child Care Resources; and Lalita Uppala with Indian  
American Community Services.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

a. HSC workplan

The Commission discussed a draft 2021 work plan.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS**

a. Commissioner Reports

Chairperson Jonathan Stutz is meeting regularly with Deputy City Manager, External Affairs Jim Lopez to discuss matters related to Resolution R-5434.

Commissioner Michelle Alten-Kahler and Chairperson Jonathan Stutz are working on efforts to provide a play area for kids who live at the Velocity Apartments. They will be meeting with Park Board chair to discuss options.

Commissioner Gildas Chueng asked about Kirkland's vaccination rates. Betsy Maxwell stated that the city's percentage are on par with the average for King County. He also raised concern about anti-Asian sentiment.

b. Staff Reports and Announcements

Leslie Miller reviewed the additional investments the Council made to address the homeless crisis.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Jonathan Stutz asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Jory Hamilton motioned; Commissioner Gildas Cheung seconded. Motion carried (Yes: 7, No: 0). The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.