

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Gildas Cheung, Antonio Avila, Marjorie Carlson, Jory Hamilton, Gabriela Lopez Vazquez

Members Absent: Vice Chair Jonathan Stutz and Michelle Alten-Kaehler excused; Laney Brackett

Staff Present: Jen Boone, Human Services Coordinator, Leslie Miller, Human Services Supervisor; Antoinette Smith, Human Services Coordinator, Lynn Zwaagstra, Parks & Community Services Director

Meeting Recorder: Regi Schubiger, Youth Services Coordinator

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. June 22, 2021

Motion to Approve the June 22, 2021 minutes as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Jory Hamilton, seconded by Commissioner Antonio Avila

Motion carried (Yes: 5, No: 0).

5. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Leslie provided an overview of the Kirkland's Human Services Grant Program.

b. Leslie provided an overview of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding.

c. Commissioners were asked to provide feedback on the Community Responder Program that the City Council is creating.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Commissioner Reports

Chair Gildas Cheung shared that he has a friend who is doing pro bono service legal counsel focusing on youth and homelessness and he will connect her to the human services team. Commissioner Marjorie Carlson is working with a representative from Indivisible Eastside who wants to set up a regional crisis response program.

b. Staff Reports

Lynn Zwaagstra shared that City Hall will be opening Monday, August 2nd. All people who come to City Hall will be required to wear masks. Board and Commission meetings will continue to be virtual at least through October.

Leslie Miller shared that at the August Human Services Commission meeting, Commissioners will be asked to provide feedback for the City's PROS Plan outreach initiative entitled Play it Forward.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gildas Cheung asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Jory Hamilton motioned; Commissioner Antonio Avila seconded. Motion carried (Yes: 5, No: 0). The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.