

CITY OF KIRKLAND

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Minutes Commission Regular Meeting

February 28, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gildas Cheung called meeting to order at 6:32pm

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Commissioners Jonathan Stutz, Melantha Jenkins, Gabriella Lopez Vazquez, Marjorie Carlson, Michelle Alten-Kahler, Vice Chair Jory Hamilton and Chair Gildas Cheung

Commissioner Chloe Sow absent.

Staff Present: Jen Boone, Human Services Manager, Amanda Judd, Human Services Coordinator, Antoinette Smith, Human Services Coordinator

Meeting Recorder: Regi Schubiger, Youth Services Coordinator

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Commissioner Melantha Jenkins read land acknowledgement. Chair Gildas Cheung will read the acknowledgment at the March meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Gildas Cheung requested a motion to approve the January 24, 2023 minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Jory Hamilton and seconded by Commissioner Melantha Jenkins. Motion carried (Yes: 5 No: 0). Commissioners Marjorie Carlson and Gabriella Lopez Vazquez abstained.

5. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

6. BUSINESS

a. 23-24 Set-Aside Staff Recommendations

Human Services Coordinator Anny Smith presented five potential options for the set aside funds. Discussion followed.

b. One-Time Funding Project Updates

Staff presented project updates on programs that received one-time COVID-19 relief funding in 2022.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Gaby Lopez shared about ARPA funds that are still available WA family relief fund. \$250 per child from eligible families. Closes March 21st.

Commissioner Jory Hamilton shared out about PEFEC; last meeting this Thursday. Discussing final recommendations and if ballot should be filed.

b. Staff Reports

Human Services Manager Jen Boone announced that Homeless Outreach Coordinator position will be filled soon. Also City Clerk is currently interviewing to fill vacant seats on boards and commissions. One seat available on Human Services Commission.

a. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gildas Cheung requested a motion to adjourn. Moved by Commissioner Jonathan Stutz and seconded by Commissioner Melantha Jenkins. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.