

MINUTES
JUNEAU HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA
March 23, 2021 5:00-6:00 PM

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I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

- a. Present: Haifa Sadighi, Ibn Bailey, Angel Collins, Mary Wegner, Di Cathcart.
- b. Absent: Britt Tonnessen

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Alaska State Commission for Human Rights (ASCHR) Executive Director Robert Corbisier will be our guest. There will be an overview of ASCHR — the history, function, current make-up, and how they can help Alaskans who are subject to discrimination. - Ibn introduces Mr. Corbisier (Core-BEE-see-aye). Mr. Corbisier goes over the history of the Human Rights Commission. The Commission is a civil rights organization as opposed to the current understanding of human rights. ASHCR has the ability to go into any place of business except non-profits and sovereign tribes in Alaska. Informal guidance documents on ASHCR website at <https://www.humanrights.alaska.gov>. The ASCHR publication, Annual Report, New Guidance documents, etc., are all available on the website.
- b. The Human Resource Committee wants to know if the Juneau Human Rights Commission would like to increase their number from 5 to 7. Next Human Resource meeting is April 5th, 2021. Haifa, and anyone who would like, should go to the meeting. Haifa: I would like to have a longer meeting so that we can have time to review the training and if the recording is available from the most recent training. We could also go over any materials and resources that we can publish. Just would like to go for a two hour meeting to review the JHRC and Commission process.
- c. On March 22nd, 2021 - [EEOC Condemns Violence against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders](#) press release was posted on the ASCHR Facebook page. It will also be added to the JHRC website.
- d. Potential UN member who could speak to the JHRC. Should we pursue it? Angel: If they can talk on a level that could connect the issues Juneau is experiencing to what is going on in the US and across the world, how what is happening out there affects us here and how we affect the rest of the world that would be good. Mary: Could they possibly speak on the Millennium Goals? These are the bigger kind of human rights issues. Ibn: I can see how we can talk about this and what we are

working on here and the concerns in Juneau and how it relates, on a large scale, to the issues on a wider scale. See if this potential presenter can tie our local concerns to it, I think it would be alright.

- e. Haifa: Can we start planning and framing the work we want to do for next year. Because of the short amount of time, we are usually reactive and rushed and we don't have time to plan. But if we start planning around those important milestones throughout the year, we can be more present in the community. A good planning session if the numbers grow and more resources to divide the "homework" in planning for next year. Angel: Can we get dates that are important to Alaska. Di: Sister Cities Committee, Asian American & Pacific Islanders, Systemic Racism Review Committee, etc. have outreach and things going on and will send out information to JHRC to talk about those community milestones and yearly activities that we can plan around for the coming year.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IV. UPCOMING MEETING DATE

- a. April 13, 2021

V. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Adjourned at 6:27pm