



## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

May 8, 2023

Zoom Conference

MINUTES

### Agenda

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Jerry Harvey called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm. Other members present were Co-chair Krissy Bhanji, Commissioners Jeanne Lipman, Fatima Groom, David Reyes, Gina Holzmeister, Councilwoman Deb Deboutez, and Guest Josh Floryance. City staff liaison Nelvis Alvarez was present.
- II. **Land Acknowledgement Statement:** *We hold this meeting on the traditional lands of the Ute, Cheyenne, and Arapaho peoples, as well as all other tribes that are historically tied to the State of Colorado. We value and respect the history and culture of our native and indigenous peoples, and as a community, we celebrate the legacy of the Elders and those who have been stewards of the land throughout the generations. The HRC is seeking the council of Native communities, to prioritize their voices, and offer a more complete view of the region's past, present, and future.*
- III. **Citizen Input:** There were no guests.
- IV. **Items of Business:**
  - a. Approval of the April 10 Meeting Minutes
    - i. A motion to approve the April meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Jeanne Lipman and seconded by Commissioner David Reyes. Motion was approved unanimously among the commissioners present.
  - b. Guest, Josh Floryance, representing the Greeley Multicultural Festival
    - i. The purpose of the Greeley Multi-cultural Festival is to increase awareness of the different cultures present in Greeley. The event will take place on October 21, from 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the UNC. The event will have various food, performances, arts, and crafts representing a variety of cultures in Greeley. This is an event for the whole family.  
We are asking the HRC to assist with promoting the event among their different networks.  
The Multicultural volunteers will provide about 6000 flyers to distribute among the school community.  
For more information, please visit <https://www.greeleymulticulturalfestival.org>
  - c. Chairman Jerry Harvey asked to put together a list of Greeley's events for the HRC members to participate in. He also asked if the Communications and Engagement



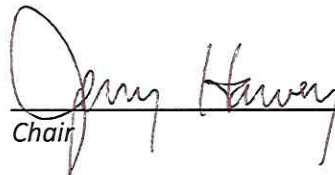
Department could support the HRC members to attend/host a booth at various events, preferably culturally related. Nelvis Alvarez will provide information if there is a budget allocated to support these activities.

**V. Member Updates**

- a. Commissioner Jeanne Lipman is proposing to host future HRC meetings in person. Commissioners will discuss going back in person in the next meeting's agenda in June. They will revisit in-person, hybrid, and virtual formats.
- b. Chairman Jerry Harvey is resigning from the HRC and from the Chair position effective at the end of today's meeting, May 8, 2023. Chairman Harvey has recently been appointed as the Treasurer and Executive Board member of the Latino Coalition of Weld County. Co-chair Krissy Bhanji will step in as the interim Chair until new elections can take place.

**VI. Adjournment**

Commission Chair Jerry Harvey declared the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m. The next Human Relations Commission meeting is on June 12, 2023, at 4:00 pm.

  
Chair