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HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MINUTES  
Wednesday, June 3, 2020  
6:00 p.m.

- 1. Roll Call:** Morrel-Samuels, Anderson, Ladio, Osborne, Stricklin, and Ianelli (council rep.). Time: 6:00
- 2. Approval of Agenda:**  
Motion to amend agenda by adding Pierce Park gathering by Ladio, 2<sup>nd</sup> Osborne. Approved as amended unanimously.
- 3. Public Comment**  
Jen Kwas is a new Chelsea resident. She is interested in the work of the HRC and stated she just wanted to listen to the meeting.
- 4. Presentations of Invited Speakers:**  
None
- 5. Approval of Minutes**  
Motion to approve minutes of May meeting by Anderson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Stricklin.  
Approved unanimously.
- 6. Regular Business**
  - a. Policy Review
    - i. Title VI Policy - Morrel-Samuels reported on answers to the questions we had from our last meeting. Title VI is a mandated policy, as is the complaint form, which cannot be changed.  
  
Motion by Morrel-Samuels to draft clear language guidance for submitting complaints under Title VI and Non-

discrimination Ordinance for review by City Council and City Attorney. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anderson. Approved unanimously.

ii. Applications for park use in Chelsea. There are two different forms for pavilions and Palmer Commons. Discussed making a recommendation for including non-discrimination statement on forms.

iii. Defer other policy discussions for next month.

b. Open Meetings Guidelines

Commission members reviewed the guidelines for discussion from the Open Meetings Act Handbook.

c. Revisit 2020 Plan

Further discussion of the 2020 was deferred until the next meeting.

**7. Communications**

HRC received an email from a resident who is interested in assisting the HRC.

ND complaints in process: 0

**8. Reports and Future Agenda Items**

a. Government Alliance on Race and Equity webinar

Ladio, Osborne, and Morrel-Samuels listened to the GARE Introductory Webinar. GARE is a non-profit organization under Race Forward. Its members include many state and local governmental groups. We are waiting for further answers to questions about ways to access their services that may already exist within the county or other partnership.

b. Equity Challenge

This challenge is sponsored by the United Way of Washtenaw County. Material for the challenge is provided by United Way specifically on understanding institutional racism and white privilege. It is available now on the Chelsea Area Equity Challenge Facebook page through the end of June. The Facebook page is a membership group just for Chelsea residents, with materials of different types along with discussions.

c. Pierce Park Event

An event is being organized in solidarity with Black Lives Matter on Thursday, June 4 at 6 p.m. at Pierce Park. There will be five speakers. All are welcome.

**9. Adjournment**

Time 7:10 Motion to adjourn by Stricklin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Osborne. Approved unanimously.