



## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION AGENDA

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

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1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Election of officers: chair and vice-chair
4. Business from the public:  
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  - 3) *Appear in person at the meeting and register to speak.*
5. Approval of January 23, 2024, minutes [Pages 3-4]
6. Scheduled business
  - a. Guest speaker: Emma Eaton of the Cumberland Church Events Center
  - b. Guest speaker: Councilor Dr. Ramycia McGhee
  - c. Land acknowledgement recommendation to City Council
  - d. HRC name change recommendation

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- e. Annual report
  - f. Event debriefs and potential event involvement [Pages 5-6]
7. Business from the members
  8. Staff updates
  9. Next meeting date: Tuesday, March 26, 2024
  10. Adjournment

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## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

### MINUTES

January 23, 2024

6:00 p.m.

VIRTUAL

Approved: **DRAFT**

#### Call to Order

Chair Miriam Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Members present: Allyson Dean, Jamie Jones, Miriam Cummins, and Robyn Davis

Members absent: Greg Soriano (excused)

#### Business from the public

**6:05 p.m.**

There was no business from the public.

#### Approval of September 26, 2023, minutes

**6:05 p.m.**

**Motion:** Commissioner Robyn Davis moved to approve the September 26, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Allyson Dean seconded the motion, which passed 4-0.

#### Chair and vice chair positions

**6:06p.m.**

The commission members will be considering if they would like to take on one of these positions. The elections will be held at next month's meeting after the City Council has ratified any appointments made for the commission's vacancies.

#### Annual Report

**6:08p.m.**

Staff liaison Kim Lyddane will connect with past commissioner Keith Kolkow for a template of the report.

#### Land acknowledgement recommendation to the City Council

**6:09 p.m.**

The group would like to move forward with this. Davis will research wording for the acknowledgement. The group would like the acknowledgement to be tied in with the Montieth Park renovation. Lyddane will check to see if that is possible. Davis and Lyddane will report back their findings to the group.

#### HRC name change recommendations

**6:15 p.m.**

The group narrowed down the name suggestions to two options: the Human Rights Commission or the Albany Equity and Inclusion Commission. Davis, Dean, and Cummins will be a part of a subcommittee to create a memo to present to the council that would articulate why the group wants to change the name and what their goal is in doing that. Davis will arrange a Zoom meeting for the subcommittee. The commissioner members will reach out to their respective councilors to get their sentiments on the commission changing its name. Lyddane volunteered to join in on the subcommittee meeting to provide assistance if needed.

Event debriefs and potential event involvement

**6:36 p.m.**

The group requested that the Police Department's Diversity Advisory Team meetings be added to the HRC calendar. Davis volunteered to attend the meetings as a representative of the HRC. The group would also like to have representation at the Hispanic Advisory Committee and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People meetings and at other events that are on the HRC calendar. Cummins will create a monthly sign-up sheet for the commissioners to indicate which event they will attend.

Business from the commission

**6:43 p.m.**

Davis encouraged the group to review the Community Development Block Grant funding process on the City's website and offer their input on where the funding is most needed.

Commissioner Jamie Jones asked about the status of the Anti-Defamation League providing training to the city council. Lyddane will check on the status and report back to the group.

Cummins informed the group of a vacancy on the Linn Benton Lincoln Education Service District Board for Zone 3 and encouraged them to pass on the word to anyone who would be interested in applying. She will send staff the position information to pass on to the group.

Jones asked what the date was for Linn Benton Community College's Unity Celebration, which is on the HRC's event calendar and is normally the last week in February or the first week in March. Dean will investigate it and report back to the group.

Staff will email an updated HRC roster to the commissioners.

Staff updates

There were no updates at this time.

Next meeting date

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Chair Cummins adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Gina Burrese  
Recorder

Kim Lyddane  
Staff Liaison

## Calendar of Events

Thursdays	Community take-out meals	5:00 p.m.	First Christian Church
<b>January 2024</b>			
01/11/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
01/15/2024	MLK Peace March	11:00 a.m.	OSU Campus
01/23/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
01/30/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
<b>February 2024</b>			
	Black History Month		
02/08/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
		11:30a.m.	
02/15/2024	Citizen Advisory Groups training (two sessions)	4:00 p.m.	Council Chambers, City Hall
02/27/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
02/27/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
02/?/2024	LBCC Unity Celebration (last week of Feb. or first week of March)	9:00 a.m.	
<b>March 2024</b>			
03/14/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
03/26/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
03/26/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
<b>April 2024</b>			
04/06/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/11/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
04/13/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/20/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/23/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
04/27/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
04/30/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
<b>May 2024</b>			
	Mental Health Month		
	Historical Preservation Month		
05/04/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/09/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
05/11/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/16/2024 ?	HEART to Heart Resource Fair (3rd Thursday in May)	?	
05/17-19/24	Ophelia's Place: Regenerate Care Retreat		Cheshire, OR
05/18/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/25/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
05/27/2024	Memorial Day events		
05/28/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
05/28/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
<b>June 2024</b>			
06/01/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/08/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/13/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
06/15/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/19/2022	Juneteenth		
06/22/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
06/22/2024	Albany Pride Festival	9:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.	Linn County Courthouse & Downtown Albany
	Safety Camp for kids entering grades 4-6		
06/25/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
06/25/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online

## July 2024

07/04/2024	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	
07/06/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/08/2024	Summer Sounds	7:00 p.m.	
07/11/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	7:00 p.m.	Hybrid event
07/11/2024	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	
07/13/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/15/2024	Summer Sounds	7:00 p.m.	
07/17/2024	Linn County Fair (begins 3rd Wednesday of July)		Fairgrounds
07/20/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/22/2024	Summer Sounds	7:00 p.m.	
07/23/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
07/25/2024	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	
07/27/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
07/29/2024	Summer Sounds	7:00 p.m.	
07/30/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	

## August 2024

08/01/2024	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
08/03/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/06/2024	National Night Out Event (1st Tuesday in August)	5:30 p.m.	
08/08/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
08/08/2024	River Rhythms	7:00 p.m.	Timber Linn Park
08/10/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/17/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
8/23-25/2024	NW Art & Air Festival		Timber Linn Park
08/24/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
08/27/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
08/27/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
08/31/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot

## September 2024

09/07/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/14/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
	? HRC's community walk: Walk & Roll	? 10:00 a.m.	
09/12/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
	? Linn-Benton Veteran Stand Down	?	
09/21/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
	Festival Latino		
09/28/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
09/24/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
09/24/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online

## October 2024

10/1-7/2024	Mental Illness Awareness week		
10/05/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/10/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
10/12/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/19/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/22/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
10/26/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
10/29/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	

## November 2024

	National Runaway Prevention Month (Jackson Street Youth)		
11/02/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/14/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
11/11/2024	Veterans Day Memorial Service	8:30 a.m.	Timber Linn Park
11/11/2024	Veterans Day Parade	12:30 p.m.	
11/09/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/16/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/26/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	
11/26/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
11/23/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot
11/30/2024	Farmers' Market	9:00 a.m.	City Hall parking lot

## December 2024

12/12/2024	Linn Benton NAACP (2nd Thursday of every month)	6:30 p.m.	
12/21/2024	Homeless Persons' Memorial Service (longest night of the year)	5:30 p.m.	
12/24/2024	HRC meeting	6:00 p.m.	Join meeting online
12/31/2024	HAC meeting (last Tuesday of the month)	3:00 p.m.	