



**JHRC COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2013**

**Meeting Minutes**

<b>Commissioners Attending:</b>	William "Casey" Bulgin	Daniel "Dan" O'Connor
	Mario E. Decunto	Michele L. A. Rollins, Esq.
	Leonardo del Rosario, M.D.	Walette Stanford
	Crystal Freed (by phone)	Michael Stovall, Jr.
	Susan Harthill, Esq.	Michael Wachholz
	Ken Middleton	Cindy Watson
	Sherry Murray	
<b>Commissioners Absent:</b>	P. Ahmed, PhD	Dottie Wilson
	C. Comstock	
<b>Staff Attending:</b>	Charlene Taylor Hill, Executive Director	Roberto Ortiz, Sr. Specialist Housing
	Linda Grant-Hunter, Assistant Director	Joan Dolbear, Executive Secretary II
	Mary Jarrett, Esq., Senior Assistant General Counsel	

**I. Call to Order**

Commissioner Walette Stanford, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**II. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioner Stanford called for a moment of silence and led the Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Commissioner Dan O'Connor to approve the summary of the Minutes from March 12, 2013. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Casey Bulgin and approved.

**IV. New Business**

**A. Parking Validations**

The City of Jacksonville is taking over the management of the parking garage on the corner of Main Street and West Dual Street. Instead of the stamp validation, a coupon will be issued by staff to the Commissioners to use when exiting the garage (see attached Boards & Commissions Parking Procedures).

**B. Request for Special Meeting**

A request for a special meeting has come forth from the President of the League of United Latin American Center (LULAC) to discuss the handling of education, housing and employment issues for Hispanics. The Commission determined that a special meeting was not necessary. The Commission recommended that the president attend the next Employment Committee and/or Community Relations Committee meeting. A letter will be sent to the President of LULAC stating the dates and times of the next Employment and Community Relations committee meetings. The committees will come back to the full Commission with recommendations on next steps.



### **C. FY2014 Budget**

The Fiscal Year 2014 JHRC budget has been submitted. The budget is flat. A request has been made to fill a vacant position (due to a retirement).

## **V. Public Comment**

### **VI. Old Business**

#### **A. 2013 Fair Housing Symposium**

Robert Ortiz reported that the symposium was recorded and being reproduced into CDs and DVDs with close-captioning. The workshop topics were very interesting and informative. Eight Commissioners attended the program.

### **VII. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Community Relations Committee**

Commissioner Casey Bulgin, Committee Chair, stated that the Hate Crimes group was continuing with its educational cycle during fiscal year 2013.

An event on Human Trafficking is being planned for Human Trafficking Day on January 11, 2014. Terry Coonan, Director of Florida State University Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, will be asked to speak at the event leading up to the January 2014 program. The committee will be putting together a timeline of events at its next meeting.

Commissioner Parvez Ahmed and his colleague at UNF will address the committee at the next meeting with their "civil discourse model."

#### **B. Employment Committee**

Commissioner Susan Harthill, Committee Chair, announced there will be a Brown Bag Lunch and Information Exchange on August 20, 2013 or September 17, 2013. Commissioner Harthill will speak on the topics of workplace bullying and unpaid interns and Candace Moody, Vice President of Communications for WorkSource, will address the group on the topic of social media. Commissioner Michael Wachholz asked if the committee would be interested in having the Brown Bag at the Adecco training facility. Commissioner Wachholz will look into its availability and get back to the JHRC staff.

During the City of Jacksonville's Summer Hire program, Wayne McGovern will speak during the orientation on the topic of social media. The committee is putting together slides on this topic for the presentation.

In addition, the committee is interested in meeting the new Employee Services Director for the City of Jacksonville, Edward Gadsden, possibly at the July 2013 committee meeting.

### **VIII. Executive Director & Staff Report**

Dr. Anne Williamson has been contacted to conduct follow-up research to the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) Study. This research would be more in-depth than the AI and involve collaboration between the providers of housing for persons with disabilities.



**IX. Chair's Report**

Commissioner Stanford reviewed the upcoming events and thanked Commissioners for their on-going support

**X. Announcements**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2013.

**XI. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.