



JHRC COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, August 13, 2013

Meeting Minutes

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

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 Cindy Watson to approve the summary of the Meeting Minutes from July 9, 2013. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Susan Harthill and approved.

IV. Special Presentation on "Jax 2025"

J. Benjamin Warner, President & CEO of Jacksonville Community Council Inc. (JCCI), presented an overview of "Jax2025." Jax2025 is a community-owned and community driven initiative; funded entirely by private donations. Every resident will have an opportunity to contribute to making the Jax2025 vision a reality. Jax2025 is about action and change and becoming the city it can be by creating a shared vision, finding solutions and making them real, and identifying leaders for our future.

More than 50 key strategies have been identified and each will be addressed over the next twelve years. The following four strategies were selected to focus on over the next three to six months: Diverse and Inclusive Community, Distinctive Neighborhoods, Government Openness and Responsiveness, and Encouraging Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation.

Mr. Warner encouraged everyone to get involved.



V. New Business

There was no new business discussed.

VI. Public Comment

There was no Public Comments.

VII. Old Business

A. FY2014 Budget

Ms. Hill reported that the JHRC goes before the Finance Committee on August 20, 2013. Commissioners were asked to meet with City Council Members to answer any questions they may have regarding the JHRC. An updated summary of accomplishments will be prepared and emailed to Commissioners.

VIII. Committee Reports

A. Employment Committee

1. Brown Bag Lunch & Information Exchange

Commissioner Susan Harthill stated the Brown Bag Lunch and Information Exchange will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. at Adecco Group, NA. Ms. Candace Moody, Vice President of WorkSource, will speak on social media and Commissioner Harthill will speak on the topics of workplace bullying and unpaid internships.

2. Disabled Services Job Fair

Commissioner Harthill stated that she attended a meeting with Kim Bynum, Deputy Director, Military Affairs, Veterans, and Disabled Services, along with Charlene Hill and Linda Grant-Hunter to discuss JHRC's possible involvement in the job fair for the disabled that will be held in December 2013.

B. Community Relations Committee

1. Human Trafficking Workshop

The Worlds Affairs Council will have a program on Human Trafficking on October 1, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at WJCT.

2. Civil Discourse Project

Commissioner Casey Bulgin stated the committee is awaiting an executive summary on the Civil Discourse Project to discuss with the full Commission.

3. Racial Profiling Meeting

Commissioner Casey Bulgin stated the committee has discussed the possibility of having a meeting with a small group of diverse organizations to discuss racial profiling.

Commissioner Mario Decunto stated he attended the second League of United Latin American Citizens for Northeast Florida (LULAC) meeting. There was better community representation at the meeting including two candidates for sheriff. Mildred Duprey de Robles, Conciliation Specialist from Miami, attended and gave a summary of the first meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church.



Commissioner Bulgin stated there will be presentation on immigration law at the next committee meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.

IX. Executive Director & Staff Reports

Ms. Hill stated a ten page booklet entitled "A Guide for Homeowner & Condominium Associations Working with Persons with Disabilities" was produced and distributed by JHRC and the Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc. Fair Housing Unit (JALA). The publication was funded through the Fair Housing Assistance Program Partnership grant from HUD. The document has been distributed to area homeowner and/or condo associations.

The employment investigators attended EEOC training in Orlando on August 8, 2013. This event was funded by the Florida Association of Community Relations Professionals and the EEOC Miami District office.

Ms. Hill was invited by Global Jax to host a person from Germany who was interested in how Jacksonville played a part in the civil rights movement in the U.S.

Ms. Hill will be attending the EEOC National Directors' Training Conference later this month.

X. Chair's Report

Commissioner Stanford reviewed the upcoming events.

XI. Announcements

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2013.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.