

**Human Relations Task Force**

**Tuesday, September 14,  
2021**

**6:45 PM - Regular Meeting**

**AGENDA**



**City of Huntington Beach  
City Hall, Lower Level  
Room B7**

GRACE YOON-TAYLOR, Staff Liaison

V.C. RHONE, Chairperson  
ANTONIO BENITEZ, Vice Chairperson  
TERESA CARLISLE, Secretary  
CHRIS HOFF, Member  
DEBBI PARROTT, Member  
HEMESH PATEL, Member  
TIMOTHY STUART, Member  
VACANT, Member  
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*\*Starting on September 14, 2021, the Human Relations Task Force meetings will be held in-person only until further notice.*

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Individuals wishing to provide a comment on agendized or non-agendized items may do so in person. Individuals will be called upon when it is their turn to speak, and each speaker will be provided 2 minutes to make public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Review and approve the August 10, 2021 Minutes

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Hate Crimes / Incidents – Sgt. Munoz  
HRTF Donation Balance – Yoon-Taylor  
Coordinating Council News / Activities - Rhone  
HB Reads – HRTF Liaison / HB Reads Liaison (Linda MacDonnel)

**SPECIAL REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS**

None for this meeting.

**REVIEW OF AD HOC COMMITTEES AND PROJECT UPDATES**

**STAFF COMMENTS / DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION OR MATERIALS**

HRTF Vacancies Update

**TASK FORCE MEMBER COMMENTS**

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

## ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the HUMAN RELATIONS TASK FORCE is October 12, 2021 at 6:45 P.M.

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# **ATTACHMENT 1**

**MINUTES FROM THE  
AUGUST 10, 2021 MEETING  
FOR APPROVAL**



# CITY COUNCIL HUMAN RELATIONS TASK FORCE (HRTF)

**MINUTES FROM AUGUST 10, 2021**  
REGULAR MEETING  
ZOOM

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**A. Welcoming Remarks/Announcements by Chairperson Rhone**

**B. Call to Order at 6:50PM - Roll Call**

Present: Benitez, Carlisle, Hoff, Parrott, Patel, Rhone, Stuart

Absent: Lee-Goodman (excused)

Council Liaisons: Mayor Carr (Not Present), Council Member Moser (Not Present)

Staff Liaisons: Jun, Yoon-Taylor

**C. Public Comments (2 minutes per speaker)**

Jonathon Smith: Recently relocated back to Huntington Beach and wanted to learn more about the HBHRTF.

**D. Approve Minutes from June 8, 2021 meeting**

*Motion to approve minutes as presented from July 13, 2021 by Hoff. Second by Benitez. Vote: "7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain"*

**E. Informational Items**

1. Hate Crimes Report by Sgt. Munoz - 1 incidents / 0 hate crimes.
2. HTRF Donation – Jun reporting \$5,817.16 in balance (June reports banking/budget has completely moved from HBPD to City Manager's office)
3. Coordinating Council News – No updates at this time.
4. HB Reads – No updates at this time.

**F. Reflection (Activity, Exercise or Quote encouraging members to look inward)**

Rhone shared a quote for quiet reflection by Martin Luther King, Jr.

**G. Special Guest/Presentation**

None

**H. Reporting Ad Hoc Committees and/or Project Updates**

1. Bylaws and Charter Review (Rhone reporting)
  - a) The recommendations include: to change the name from "Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force" to reflect our actual group type which is a "Committee."
  - b) Members provided feedback.
  - c) Motion to change name to "Huntington Beach Human Relations Committee" by Hoff. Second by Patel. *Vote: "7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain"*
  - d) Rhone presented the suggested "Vision Statement" and suggested revisions for the Mission Statement.
  - e) Rhone clarified membership terms and led conversations about other suggested revisions and additions to the bylaws. All items were approved via vote.



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- f) Rhone assigned the task of preparing Word Document of bylaws - changes and additions to Benitez.
  - g) Motion to disband By-laws Ad-hoc Committee by Parrott. Second Hoff  
*Vote: 7 "Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain"*
2. Community Empowerment & Development (Rhone reporting)
    - a) Patel resigning as lead, will stay on committee. Rhone is now leading this ad hoc.
    - b) Stuart joined the ad hoc.
    - c) Rhone recommended the committee name change to "Community Engagement"
    - d) Motion to change name to "Community Engagement" by Patel. Second Parrott *Vote: "7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain"*
3. Community Summit (Rhone reporting)
    - a) Moving forward with Community YOUTH Summit on 8/13 and 8/20
    - b) General Community Summit dates: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> – Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> (tentative)
    - c) Event will occur (biennially) every other year after this year. Next event would be in 2023.
4. Cultural Heritage Ad Hoc (Rhone reporting)
    - a) Move "Read-Alongs" and "Courage to Remember" over to Community Engagement and omit digital cookbook project
    - b) Streamline Cinema Showcase by reducing the number of films and eliminating virtual panels but consider for in-person event
    - c) For this cycle honoring National Hispanic Heritage month, the ad hoc received 185 films. A total of 27 films will be presented for slate review and honorable mentions. Three films will be featured on HBTv.
    - d) Onboarding a new Editor. Offer \$150 per showcase for total of \$600 per year for editing.
    - e) Motion to approve \$150 for showcase cinema films editing by Stuart. Second by Benitez; *Vote: "7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain"*
    - f) Suggest name change of the ad hoc to "Cultural Cinema Showcase" by Rhone
    - g) Name change to "Cultural Cinema Showcase" by Hoff. Second by Benitez; *Vote: "7- Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain"*
5. HB Listens (Parrott reporting)
    - a) Working on October 28<sup>th</sup> HB Listens event.
    - b) December partnership with Homeless United, "Home is Where Your Story Is", by BK Robinson on December 2, 2021, from 6pm-8pm.
6. Youth Voices Essay and Art Contest (Carlisle reporting)



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- a) Performing research and becoming familiar with past tools in place for submissions and entry forms as well as access to email account.
  - b) Recommend adding Rhone as Administrative Support to committee. Rhone accepted the invitation and will serve in an administrative/historical capacity only since all of the ad hoc members are fairly new to HRTF.
7. Chairperson Comments/Updates/Recommendations:
- a. Rhone shared dates for community events and encouraged participation
    - a) U.S. Open September 20<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>
    - b) U.S Airshow October 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>
    - c) Civil War enactment Sept 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> (Labor Day weekend)
  - b. Rhone, Hoff, and Patel will attend the Civil War reenactment
  - c. Rhone encourages the public to attend in-person meetings and notes it's an opportunity for the HRTF and the public to get to know one another. A motion was made to discontinue Zoom feature, seconded by Hoff.  
*Vote: "4-Yes, 2-No, 1-Abstain"*
- I. Staff Comments / Distribution of Information or Materials:**
1. Jun strongly recommends wearing a mask in public places to keep everyone's safety a priority.
  2. Jun announced the new "Be Well H.B." program is making a difference with mental health issues. The community/residences can get help dealing with mental health issues by contacting 714-960-8825 or 911. Website: bewellhb.com
  3. Yoon-Taylor announced that a "Notice of Vacancy" was posted to fill vacancy of Bolton.
- J. Task Force Member Comments:**  
Benitez thanked everyone for their contributions and extended "kudos" to Rhone for her leadership and encouragement.
- K. Items for Future Consideration:**  
None.
- L. Adjournment at 8:53 p.m. by Rhone** – The next meeting of the HRTF is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 6:45pm at City Hall.