



MINUTES

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE (HRC)

City of Huntington Beach

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

6:45 pm Regular Meeting

2000 Main St., Huntington Beach, CA 92648

A. WELCOMING REMARKS BY CHAIRPERSON RHONE

B. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rhone called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Chow, Stuart, Keeley, Carlisle (late)

Absent: Patel (excused), Velazquez (excused)

Council Liaisons: Bolton (Present), Moser (Absent)

Staff Liaison: Yoon-Taylor

D. HBPD Special Drone Presentation

The Huntington Beach Police Department's Drone Unit gave a special presentation demonstrating how HBPD uses drones as a support during big events, traffic accidents, wellness checkups, and crimes.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per speaker)

None.

F. Approval of July 2022 Minutes of the Human Relations Committee

MOTION: Moved by Parrott, seconded by Chow, to approve the minutes dated, as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote, 6-0-1-2:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Chow, Carlisle

NOES: N/A

ABSTAIN: Keeley

ABSENT: Patel, Velazquez

G. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Hate Crimes/Incidents – Sgt. Munoz, HBPD

Sgt. Munoz reported that there had been one (1) hate crime/Incident since the last meeting. The hate crime occurred on July 16th at 7am. The incident occurred on PCH and 10th, when two African Americans were going for a morning walk, they encountered a man and his dog. The dog was not on a leash. The dog attacked the African American woman. Her husband was upset that the dog was not on a leash, then an argument ensued between the African American male and the White male. The White male took his dog and went to his vehicle and returned with a replica AR-15. He then chased the couple around the neighborhood, yelling racist remarks at the couple. The White male left the scene, but he was stopped and arrested on PCH and Beach.

2. HRC Donation Balance – Yoon-Taylor, Staff Liaison – The current fund balance is \$3,069.27.



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3. HB Reads – There is no report.
 4. HB Coordinating Council – There is no report.
 5. Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council (GHBIC) – Rhone reported that she did attend the July meeting and the meeting was dedicated to the memory of Ralph Bauer. Additional information on upcoming events will be provided at the next meeting.

H. SPECIAL REPORTS/PRESENTATION

Remembering Ralph Bauer – On Tuesday, July 12th, the Honorable Dr. Ralph Bauer, former Mayor and co-founder of the Human Relations Task Force, passed away. A video tribute was presented in his honor and HRC members shared memories in tribute.

Former Mayor Shirley Dettloff offered condolences and reflected on the early formation days of the HRC and Ralph's initial mission and goal to unite the community. Member Keeley distributed gifts from Mrs. Bauer which were from Ralph's personal desk including "Promote Human Dignity" pins and coasters featuring artwork. A memorial service will be held on Friday, September 9th at 5:00 PM at the Senior Center and all HRC members are invited to attend.

I. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Vote of Approval – The CommUNITY Picnic Budget – The Community Engagement Ad Hoc requested a \$100 budget for the CommUNITY Picnic.

MOTION: Moved by Carlisle, seconded by Keeley, to approve \$100 for the CommUNITY Picnic Budget.

The motion carried by the following vote, 7-0-0-2:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Chow, Carlisle, Keeley

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Patel, Velazquez

2. Bylaws Amendment – Vote to review at the September Meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Stuart, seconded by Chow, to approve the review of the Bylaws at the September meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote, 7-0-0-2:

AYES: Rhone, Parrott, Smith, Stuart, Chow, Carlisle, Keeley

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Patel, Velazquez



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3. HRC Marketing Initiatives – Chairperson Rhone pulled this item for another meeting with no objections from those in attendance.

J. REVIEW OF AD HOC COMMITTEES, PROGRAMS AND PROJECT UPDATES

The following reports and updates were provided:

1. Community Engagement Ad Hoc – Stuart reported that he and Member Velazquez attend the HBPD National Night Out at Central Park. They distributed flyers and candy and shared information with community members. Additionally, they met other groups in attendance.
2. Hate Crimes Directives Ad Hoc – Rhone reported that the ad hoc invited 50 stakeholders to a virtual meeting on August 24th. More information will be provided at the September meeting.
3. Youth Voices HB – Carlisle will be reaching out to the ad hoc this week.
4. Cultural Cinema Showcase – Rhone reported that the special VIP screening would be postponed. There will be a new date provided at the next meeting.
5. HB Listens – Parrott reported on the partnership with OCHR and VANS for the Dialogue Circles Event on Tuesday, August 2nd at the HB Art Center. The event was a success and very well attended. A “Call to Action” follow up event will take place on October 6th. The Community Summit will take place November 2nd and 3rd 2022.

Following were reported as upcoming Calendar Events:

- a. Thursday, August 11th – Mass Casualty Training
- b. Saturday, August 20th – CommUNITY Picnic
- c. Tuesday, August 30th – Driving Out Darkness Orange County Summit on Antisemitism and Hate. This is a one-day immersive learning experience for community leaders from 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM at UC Irvine.
- d. Saturday, September 17th – Senior Saturday
- e. Wednesday, October 6th – HB Listens call to action follow up
- f. November 2nd and 3rd 2022 – HB Listens Community Summit
- g. September – October 2022 – Youth Voices HB opens
- h. November 2022 – Youth Voices HB Awards Ceremony

K. STAFF COMMENTS/DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION

Staff Liaison Yoon-Taylor reported:

- She met with the HBPD’s Community Relations Specialist and talked about collaboration ideas with Neighborhood Watch and HBHRC with Chief Parra’s support.
- The Neighborhood Watch issues a quarterly newsletter to their Watch Captains and agreed to feature HBHRC as their feature story and how to report a hate crime.



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- Annual Police events are National Night Out (in summer) and PD Open House which will be held in Spring 2023. HBHRC may consider partnership on these events.
 - HBHRC members are invited to attend each event.

L. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

- Stuart proposed sending at least one member to any event that is hosted by HBPD such as "Coffee with PD."
- Stuart proposed having a table for HBHRC during the Pacific Airshow.
- Carlisle proposed having a youth representative join the HRC.
- Chow noted that VANS did not have the American Flag up during the US Open. There was a lot of community conversation about other flags being flown.

M. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Stuart proposed the HBHRC make a statement regarding the passing of Ralph Bauer. Rhone agreed and noted that a statement had not been previously made by the HBHRC as it was believed a statement would be published on behalf of the City. Yoon-Taylor noted that a statement had not been planned. Rhone stated that the matter would be corrected during or before the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:42 p.m. by Rhone – The next meeting of the HRC is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13th, at 6:45 at the Civic Center, Lower-Level Room B7, Huntington Beach, California.

Submitted by Secretary Smith, HB Human Relations Committee.

Approved by the Human Relations Committee on 09/13/2022 at its public meeting.