

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING APPROVED

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

DATE: Tuesday, March 26, 2024

TIME: 5:15 p.m.

PLACE: Urbana City Council Chambers

Urbana City Building 400 South Vine Street Urbana, Illinois 61801

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Ann Panthen, Chair; Shalini Smith, Vice Chair; Peter Resnick; Greg Schroeder

ALSO PRESENT: Carla Boyd, Human Rights and Equity Officer; Tom Unzicker, Human Rights Specialist

A. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Ann Panthen called the meeting to order at 5:19 p.m. The Recording Secretary took the roll. A quorum was present.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioners accepted the agenda without change.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. February 13, 2024

Ms. Panthen called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Shalini Smith so moved. Peter Resnick seconded the motion. The commissioners approved the motion by a voice vote.

D. PUBLIC PARTICPATION

There was none.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Lochmueller Group, Inc

The commissioners had received an updated application from Lochmueller with a plan in place for increasing their diversity in the future. Mr. Resnick moved to approve their EEO Certification for one year. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. EEO Workforce Statistics

Ms. Panthen listed six companies seeking EEO Certification that have 14 employees or fewer, are therefore eligible for an automatic two-year certification. She asked for a motion to approve their certification:

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Built United, LLC Lisa McQuade d/b/a Arch Equipment
Ezell Excavating Inc MSA Professional Services
GIS Solutions Inc. Runway Consulting LLC

Ms. Smith moved for approval. Greg Schroeder seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

With 14 applications remaining, Ms. Panthen asked for a motion to approve their certification. Mr. Schroeder moved to approve certifications for the following companies as follows:

A&A Concrete, LLC	1 year
Applied Research Associates, Inc.	2 years
Champaign Asphalt Company, LLC (d/b/a 5 Units)	1 year
Cloudpoint Geospatial	2 years
CoraMae Inc. d/b/a Insurance Risk Managers	2 years
Federal Signal Corporation	2 years
Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC	2 years
Hoerr Construction, Inc.	2 years
Horner & Shifrin, Inc	2 years
Locution Systems, Inc.	2 years
Smeal LTC d/b/a Ladder Tower Inc.	1 year
Survey and Mapping, LLC d/b/a SAM	2 years
Traffic and Parking Control Co., Inc. d/b/a TAPCO	2 years
Worden-Martin Inc d/b/a Ford City	1 year

Mr. Resnick seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

G. OFFICER'S REPORT

Carla Boyd shared her monthly report. Highlights included:

- Status of complaints
- No informal calls or referrals
- She is working with New American Welcome Center on an event, "Government 101" scheduled for June 10th. Planning is also underway for another event in September.

Commissioners' Follow Up:

- Mr. Schroeder confirmed that the Officer had received a copy of a complaint that the commissioners had received
- Mr. Resnick reminded commissioners of the procedure to follow whenever an individual commissioner receives a complaint: Forward it to the Chair, who then forwards it to the Officer for investigation.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. This Commission has five openings for new members. Ms. Boyd reported she has one new application and is talking with another potential applicant.
- 2. Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, Ms. Panthen adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Thomas D. Unzicker Recording Secretary