

Raul Torres Executive Director

July 11, 2024,

Minutes of June 13, 2024 Human Rights Commission J McCoart Building – Board Chambers

#### **Human Rights Commission**

Curtis Porter, Chairman
Evelyn BruMar, Vice Chair
Ramunda Young, Parliamentarian
William A. Johnston, III
Dr. Erika Laos
Padreus D. Pratter
Aaron Muz
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## **MINUTES**

ChairMembersCurtis O. PorterWilliam JohnstonVice ChairDr. Erika LaosEvelyn BruMarPadreus D. PratterParliamentarianAaron MuzRamunda YoungBenjamin BaldwinVictor L. Ginoba, Jr.

<u>Present</u>: Commissioners Benjamin Baldwin, Victor Ginoba, William, Johnston, Aaron Muz, Erika Laos, Chairman Curtis Porter, Director, Raul Torres, Assistant Director, Shelia Venning, and Tiffany Jones, Administrative Specialist.

Chair Porter called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

#### **Citizens Time**

• There were no citizens present at the meeting.

## **Old Business**

• The minutes of the May 9, 2024, meeting were approved with corrections (Baldwin moved/Ginoba - second)

#### **New Business**

• Maria Burgos, Director of Equity and Inclusion, presented before the Commission on the County's Equity and Inclusion plan.

# **Committee Reports**

#### **Unity in the Community**

Nothing to report.

#### Jail Board

• The Jail Board meeting will be held on July 17, 2024.

#### **Racial Social Justice Committee**

The RSJC meeting will be held on June 20, 2024.

## **Director's Report**

- The Human Rights Office introduced Emma Cochran and Sofia Quint, college students interning in the office this summer. Emma is a senior at George Mason University. She is majoring in Criminology with a minor in intelligence studies. Sofia Quint, a senior at the University of Virginia. She is a double major in public policy, leadership, and Latin American studies.
- The office is in the process of recruiting for the vacant Outreach & Education Coordinator position.
- The HRO will be participating in the following outreach activities during June:
  - O June 4<sup>th</sup> Power of Pride outreach event
  - O June 13<sup>th</sup> Procurement Vendor Expo
  - O June 17<sup>th</sup> Juneteenth event
- The Commission will hold its second Community Dialogue forum at the Ferlazzo
  Building on June 26th, 6 pm with the Muslim Community The guest speakers will
  be representatives of Dar Al Noor Islamic Community Center, the PWC Department
  of Social Services, the PWC Police Department, and the Equal Employment
  Opportunity Commission (EEOC).
- Director Torres presented the FY24 Fair Housing Testing Report to the Commission.
   The overall testing results showed no systemic issues of discrimination. The Fair Housing Report can be found in the <u>Fair Housing Testing Report</u>

#### **COMMISSIONER'S TIME**

**<u>Erika Laos</u>** – Thank you to Maria Burgos; It is Immigrant Heritage Month

Benjamin Baldwin – Welcome to the interns. Virginia Primary Elections will be held on June 18.

<u>Victor Ginoba</u> – Welcome to the Interns; June 18<sup>th</sup> Virginia Primary Elections.

**<u>Aaron Muz</u>** – Welcome to the Interns.

**William Johnston** – Nothing to Report.

<u>Curtis Porter</u> – On June 17, Chair Porter will speak at the Juneteenth outreach event. Jarad Phelps, Deputy Chief of Police, will retire from the PWC Police Department in July 2024.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.45 pm.

### **ACTIONABLE ITEMS**

RESPONSIBLE PERSON	DUE DATE	STATUS

# PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION CHARGES AND OUTCOMES FOR JUNE 2024

	Case Closures	Cases Opened	Inventory
Employment	2	1	
Housing			
Public Accommodation			
Education			
Credit			
TOTAL			22