Minutes

AMES HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Conference Room 235 City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue Wednesday, December 15, 2021

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Chair Jahmai Fisher. Members present were Wayne Clinton, Chunhui Chen, Jahmai Fisher, Lynette Plander, and Madesh Samanu. City of Ames Staff Liaison Deb Schildroth and Auditorium/Bandshell/Community Center Manager Craig Kaufman were also present. The meeting was held electronically due to forecasted inclement weather.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Clinton, seconded by Plander to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2021 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Forum: Chair Fisher opened public forum. No one was present to speak, and Chair Fisher closed public forum.

Update on Music Event through Ames Parks and Recreation Department: Kaufman provided an overview of the event funding, schedule, and sponsors with the Commission. He noted that the event will be held on March 1, 4, and 5, 2022. Activities planned thus far include workshops with the Boys and Girls Club, Library Teen Group, Ames Middle School, and YSS as well as a presentation at Iowa State University and a public concert hosted at the Ames City Auditorium. He spoke with the Commission about ticket sales and transportation to the public concert to ensure that the event is accessible for all community members who desire to attend.

Clinton stated that he would like to see Commission members present at all of the events to welcome and connect with community members. Kaufman noted that the more the City and the community can connect with and through the event the better.

Chair Fisher noted agreement stating that she would enjoy seeing Commission members volunteer to help support the event when and where possible. She transitioned the conversation to discuss further sponsorship opportunities to which Kaufman noted he would provide a copy of the sponsorship packet to the Commission members.

The Commission discussed more of the logistics of the event including promotional opportunities.

Kaufman left the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Chair Fisher opened discussion for the 2022 Humanitarian award.

Adjournment: Moved by Plander to adjourn at 5:58 p.m.

Due to inclement weather the Ames Human Relations Commission adjourned at 5:58 p.m. on Wednesday, December 15, 2021.