

## Minutes

### AMES HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Conference Room 235  
City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue  
Thursday, February 23, 2023

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Vice Chair Wayne Clinton. Commission Members Jahmai Fisher, Chunhui Chen, Lynette Plander and City of Ames Staff Liaison Deb Schildroth were also present.

**Public Forum:** Vice Chair Clinton opened the Public Forum. No one was present to speak, and Vice Chair Clinton closed the Public Forum.

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved by Plander, seconded by Fisher, to approve the minutes of the January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Update on the City's DEI Coordinator Position:** Staff Liaison Schildroth provided an update on the DEI Coordinator search, sharing that references were being checked for the candidate who interviewed earlier in the month.

**Discussion on Updating the Strategic Plan:** The Commissioners discussed revisions to the Strategic Plan and came to a consensus on the changes to the draft. The conversation focused on making the Strategic Plan more concise, reflective of the Commission's activities, and inclusive.

**Postings and Social Media Content:** Vice Chair Clinton volunteered to submit trivia questions for Black History Month.

**Commissioner Announcements:** Staff Liaison Schildroth announced that City staff would be sending out another press release to promote the A Home for Everyone Award. The application deadline is March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and no applications have been received to date. After the deadline, City staff will send the applications to the Commissioners by March 13<sup>th</sup> for their review. The award will be presented at the City Council meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, when the Fair Housing Month Proclamation will be awarded.

**Next Meeting:** Rescheduled from March 30<sup>th</sup> to March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. Quorum can be achieved with Commissioners participating via Zoom.

**Adjournment:** Vice Chair Clinton adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.