

Brooklyn Park

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

DRAFT MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 4/17/2025

Location: City Hall – Room A203

Time Began: 6:21 p.m.

Time Adjourned:

Meeting Attendance—Commissioners							
Member	District	Present		Member	District	Present	
		Yes	No			Yes	No
Marcellus Davis	City Staff Liaison	X		Andrea Perez-Maikkula	Central	X	
Council Member Amanda Xiong	Council Member Liaison	X		Nehemiah Garley	Central	X	
Vicki Richardson	At-large	X		Amna Arabi	Central	X	
Amanda Worth	At Large	X		Mallory Knipe	West	X	
Toby Gunderson	At-Large		X	Valen A.	West	X	
Brenda Blackhawk	East	X		OPEN	Emerging Leader		
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1. Call to Order – Chair Perez-Maikkula – 6:17 p.m.
2. Roll Call/Attendance – Staff Liaison Dr. Marcellus Davis – 6:21 p.m.
3. Modified agenda to remove approval of Feb Minutes (approved last month) – 6:22 p.m.
 - a) Motion: Vicky; 2nd: Mallory
 - b) All in favor
 - c) Approved
4. Welcome and Introduce new HRC Members-All – 6:30 p.m.
5. Immigration Workshop in Brooklyn Center from – 6:43 p.m.
 - a) Saturday, April 19th 10am – 3pm
 - b) 6030 Xerxes Ave N, Brooklyn Center, MN
6. North Star Act legislative update – Amanda Xiong & Cindy Devonish – 7:05 p.m.
7. April 28, 2025, HRC Annual Work – All – 7:12 p.m.
 - a) Review of the previous year’s work plan
 - b) Update and solidify the plan
 - c) Determine the presentation flow (PowerPoint & presenter)
8. City Council Liaison Report – Council Member Amanda Xiong – 8:04 p.m.
 - a) City Council approved to forgive Huntington loan if all outlined criteria are met
 - b) Looking into costs of new fire station

9. City Staff Report – Marcellus Davis – 8:08 p.m.
 - a) Dr. Davis will be taking off the month of May. Cindy Devonish will be filling in for him.
 - b) Will have a speaker from MIWRC present to city staff, focusing on missing and murdered indigenous women for the city staff
10. Old Business – 8:17 p.m.
11. New Business – 8:17 p.m.
 - a) Can we be involved in the annual parade?
12. Adjournment – All – 8:19 p.m.
 - a) Motion - Vicky, 2nd - Valen
 - b) All in favor
 - c) Approved

Submitter: Mallory Knipe