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## **HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MINUTES**

April 21, 2021 VIRTUAL Human Rights Commission Meeting

This **DRAFT** was approved in the HRC Meeting on \_\_\_\_\_

**Human Rights Commissioners Present:** Nodesia Hernandez; Leo Sanchez; Mia Wade; Rev. Baums; Lanessa Chaplin; Rasheada Caldwell; Agnes McCray; Liban Mohammed

**Commissioners absent:** Barbara Johnson, Al-amin Muhammad and Chris Gilkes, John Rushing III, Rabbi Dan Fellman, Mbonimpa Banabas

**Community members present:** County legislators Mary Kuhn ; Dr. Peggy Chase

**County staff present:** Monica Williams, Montanette Murphy, Johanna Sellers

**Speaker:** Jessica Bumpus

Meeting began at 5:40.

Attendance taken.

### **Greetings and Welcome**

Rasheada Caldwell made a statement about the George Floyd verdict.

### **Announcements/introductions from Chief Diversity Officer Monica Williams:**

Montanette Murphy introduced as new Executive Director of Human Rights. Johanna Sellers introduced as new executive secretary.

- 1) **Approval of March meeting minutes.** Motioned. Seconded.
- 2) **Approval of March/April agendas.** Motioned. Seconded.
- 3) **Recognition of visitors:** No public comment period was conducted.
- 4) **Administrator's Report:**
  - May 5 is the deadline to submit pictures and bios
  - Create an events button about Public Meeting on I-81
- 5) **Chair's report:** No report from the chairperson at this time
- 6) **Guest speaker**

Jessica Bumpus spoke about involving community in the redistricting plan set to happen as a result of 2020 Census. Bumpus and League of Women's Voters wants to engage community at federal, state, county and local levels. Nodesia Hernandez will be our point person for reaching out to Ms. Bumpus.



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**7) Follow-up to I-81: Discussion: I-81 Public Meeting**

Commissioners discussed having a virtual and in-person meeting on May 20. TeNesha Murphy from the County Executive's office will alert media about the meeting; commissioners will publicize the meeting via social media; commissioners will get the word out to churches, the community and other media outlets like "The Stand" and "Urban CNY." Montanette will create a flier by Tuesday of next week and an events button for the HRC website. Commissioners will meet May 6th at 2 p.m. for 30 minutes.

**8) New business/Old Business/Announcements: None**

**9) Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.** Motioned by Commissioner McCray and seconded by Commissioner Baums.