

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

**February 26, 2019  
6:30 PM**

**City Hall / Police Facility  
Coho Room**

<p><b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b> Derek Franklin Rebekah Smith Loretta Jancoski Matthew Meyer Ana M. Jiménez-Inman Susan Leonelli Brooke Fraser, Youth Representative</p> <p><b>MEMBERS NOT PRESENT</b> Vanessa Mousavizadeh Senthil Chandran</p>	<p><b>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT</b> David Fujimoto, Sustainability Director Monica Negrila, Human Services &amp; Social Sustainability Coordinator</p> <p><b>VISITORS PRESENT</b> Mayor Mary Lou Pauly Courtenay Garcia, Issaquah Senior Center Manager Brian T. Berntsen, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director Trish Bloor, Issaquah Resident, Arts Commission Chair</p>
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**CALL TO ORDER**

MEYER called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

At the Human Services Commissioners request, MEYER chaired the first part of the meeting until the Chair arrived. MEYER invited the Commission to review the minutes from the previous meeting. JIMÉNEZ-INMAN made suggestions to revise the minutes to include correct spelling of the commissioner's name, correctly note members present and absent, as well as correctly note the year, 2019, within the narrative. SMITH motioned to approve the minutes with the suggested corrections; JANCOSKI seconded that the minutes for the January 22, 2019 meeting be approved. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

MAYOR MARY LOU PAULY attended the first part of the Human Services Commission meeting and thanked the Commissioners for their commitment and service. MAYOR PAULY highlighted the city's commitment to ensure that board members and commissioners are representative of the diverse community in Issaquah and encouraged commissioners who held more than 2 terms to consider alternate positions to allow new representatives to participate.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

A motion was made to change the order of the agenda to allow guests to provide an update on the Senior Center. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Senior Center Updates**

The Senior Center Manager and the Parks and Recreation Deputy Director provided a description of the transition process from interim operations to a long-term city operated model and discussed current programming and future goals. The Human Services Commission

had the opportunity to ask questions and further learn about opportunities to get involved with the Senior Center.

#### **CHAIR REPORT**

##### **Youth Representative Introduction**

FRANKLIN welcomed the youth representative and asked her to introduce herself. FRASER introduced herself and expressed interest in serving on the Human Services Commission for the next two years.

##### **Legislative Updates**

FRANKLIN noted that an update will be provided next time and encouraged the Commission to go to the legislative website and search current bills by topics of interest to the Human Services field, including bills related to drug and alcohol, firearms safety, tobacco 21, vaping, mental health and others.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

##### **Bellevue Human Services Financial Assistance Panel**

NEGRILA and SMITH provided a summary of the Financial Assistance Panel organized by the City of Bellevue on February 20, 2019.

NEGRILA reminded Commissioners that applications to serve on City Boards and Commissions are due on March 5, 2019 and encouraged those members who wish to reapply for another term to submit applications.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **Human Services Commission Site Visits Process and Planning**

NEGRILA shared with the Commissioners a proposed criterion for equitable selection of agencies to be visited by Commissioners in 2019. Discussion focused on how to best select a representative sample of organizations to be visited while ensuring fairness and equity. The Commission agreed to visit all organizations from a specific goal area (Physical and Behavioral Health, as identified by the Community Needs Assessment), thus ensuring the Commission has an in-depth understanding of all the organizations representative of a specific focus area.

##### **Joint Commission Meeting**

This item was postponed due to lack of time.

##### **2018 Grants Process Debrief**

##### **Identified Changes**

This item was postponed due to lack of time.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments. One visitor was present and noted that was there to observe only and learn more about the Human Services Commission.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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Discussion around identifying the best meeting space for the Human Services Commission was held, including advantages and disadvantages of maintaining the Eagle Room as a permanent meeting space or changing the location to the Coho Room.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.