

03-18-26 Human Services Commission Minutes

CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Human Services Commission

6:30 PM
 March 18, 2026

MINUTES

Steelhead Room, 235 1st Ave.
 SE, Issaquah

COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Commissioners:

Jaime Fajardo, Chair
 Manny Brown, Vice Chair
 Maury Edwards, *excused absence*
 Madeline Fish
 Huma Mohibullah, *arrived at 6:46, virtual attendance*
 Jaydianette Ramirez
 Ray Manahan
 Trish Bloor, alternate
 Danielle Jalbert, *pending alternate*
 Preston Miele, *youth representative, excused absence*

Administration/Staff:

Hannah Roberts, Senior Human Services
 Coordinator
 Brenda Parker, Human Services Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Chair FAJARDO called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alicia Spinner and Christie Schumann from The Circle provided public comments regarding Issaquah specific services with an increasing need of basic needs, rental assistance and legal support. Alicia shared her appreciation and impact of the emergency human services funding for immigration legal support services.

Mariana Martinez from Centro Cultural Mexicano provided public comment regarding the organization's 4 main pillars and 7 different programs. Mariana is the new executive director wanting to introduce herself and organization to Issaquah commissioners before the human services grant review process.

Commissioner Vice Chair BROWN made a public comment acknowledging International Women's month sharing his appreciation for the women in the room and offered flowers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Minutes of January 21, 2026

Commissioner Chair FAJARDO introduced the minutes of January 21, 2026. Commissioner FISH motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner RAMIREZ seconded the motion; there was unanimous consent to approve the minutes as presented.

AGENDA ITEMS

a) **Joint Human Services Commission Equity Training Workshop Follow Up (D)**

Presented by:

Jaime Fajardo, Human Services Commissioner Chair

This agenda topic has been postponed to May 20, 2026, meeting. The Joint Human Services Commission Equity Training Workshop on March 14, 2026, was cancelled due to inclement weather and has been reschedule to May 12, 2026, 5:00 – 8:00 pm at the Redmond City Hall. Issaquah Human Services Commissioners will have follow up at the May 20 meeting.

b) 2027-2028 Human Services Grant Background and Process (I)

Presented by:

Hannah Roberts, Sr. Human Services Coordinator

ROBERTS presented Human Services Grants background information and the process. The information included history, timeline, review tools and next steps.

2027-2028 Human Services Grant Application Process Overview and Toolkit Review (D)

Presented by:

Hannah Roberts, Sr. Human Services Coordinator

ROBERTS presented the details of the 2027-2028 Human Services Grants application process. The information included details of the tools provided, subcommittees and next steps.

REPORTS**a) Chair and Commissioner Reports**

Commissioner RAMIREZ will provide Human Services Staff with website links that are no longer working. Commission BLOOR shared her experience attending Mayor Mullet's Immigration Forum.

b) Youth Report

No youth report.

c) Staff Report

ROBERTS shared upcoming Human Services events including Spring Community Clothing Closet in April and AAPI in May. ROBERTS shared council position updates and openings.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

No other business.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for April 15, 2026.