

04-15-26 Human Services Commission Minutes

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH**  
**Human Services Commission**

6:30 PM  
 April 15, 2026

**MINUTES**

Steelhead Room, 235 1st Ave.  
 SE, Issaquah

**COMMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT**

*Commissioners:*

Jaime Fajardo, Chair  
 Manny Brown, Vice Chair, excused absence  
 Maury Edwards  
 Madeline Fish, excused absence  
 Huma Mohibullah, excused absence  
 Jaydianette Ramirez  
 Ray Manahan  
 Trish Bloor  
 Preston Miele, youth representative

*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 6:35 pm

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Suma Muhal from Sound Generation provided a public comment about their organization mission, specific programs and partnership with the Issaquah Senior Center.

Mathew Vasiliev, Erica Hoard, Daniel Chuyeshkov and Melvin Burtlow from Americans 4 Equality provided a public comment about their three 2027-2028 Human Services Grant applications sharing more about their organization, programs and Issaquah impact

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) Minutes of March 18, 2026

Commissioner Chair FAJARDO introduced the minutes of March 18, 2026. Commissioner EDWARDS motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner BLOOR seconded the motion; there was unanimous consent to approve the minutes as presented.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

- b) **2027-2028 Human Services Grant Application Summary and Review Process (D)**

*Presented by:*

*Hannah Roberts, Sr. Human Services Coordinator*

ROBERTS provided a summary of the applications received for the 2027-2028 Human Services Grant applications. There were 111 qualified programs from 74 organizations requesting just under \$3.5 million in funding. ROBERTS went through the review process including how to access the and review the applications, how to utilize the review tools including the Human Services Strategic Plan summary sheet, the review tool card and the excel spreadsheet by subcategories. Commissioners have been assigned to review 1-2 applications by the next regular Human Services Commission meeting on May 20.

**REPORTS**

- a) **Chair and Commissioner Reports**

N No chair or commissioner reports.

**b) Youth Report**

MIELE share about an upcoming youth board leadership bootcamp on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Issaquah community center.

**c) Staff Report**

ROBERTS reported upcoming events including Mayor's non-profit organizations funding impact meetings, proclamation in appreciate for Barbara de Michele, Joint Eastside Human Services Equity training, community clothing closet soring fest, AAPI heritage month and Culture Fest.

**OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No other business or announcements.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

The next meeting is a special meeting for the Joint Eastside Human Services Commission Equity Training Workshop on May 12, 2026 at Redmond City Hall 5:00 pm. The next regular Human Services Commission meeting is currently scheduled for May 20, 2026.