



Human Relations Commission
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.
Festival Park Plaza Training Room, 225 Ray Ave, Suite 122

Present: Chairwoman Donna Pelham; Vice-Chairman Eric Bradley Sr.; Secretary Crystal Edmonds; Commissioner Dakiesha Upchurch (Virtual); Commissioner Denise Abrams; Commissioner Sarah Singletary (Virtual); Commissioner Dr. Toshiba Narcisse (Virtual); Commissioner Shirley Francis; Commissioner Michael Long; Commissioner Michael A. Sabb; Commissioner William "Bill" Milton; Commissioner Milette Herring

Absent: Commissioner Lynndora Thompson; Commissioner Tracy Pelt (Excused)

Staff Present: Yamile Nazar, Human Relations Director; Yamilet Padilla, Human Relations Specialist; Diona Curtis, Administrative Specialist

Chairwoman Pelham called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Chairwoman Pelham called for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Vice-Chairman Bradley, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Sabb. Vote was unanimous.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Francis, seconded by Commissioner Long. Vote was unanimous.

Rules Suspension: Motion to suspend the speaking limit from ten minutes to two minutes was made by Commissioner Abrams, seconded by Secretary Edmonds. Vote was unanimous.

Community Awards Luncheon: Chairwoman Pelham inquired about an update on the Community Awards Luncheon. Ms. Curtis stated that three tables, six individual tickets, and one advertisement have been sold to date. Chairwoman Pelham encouraged Commission members to actively promote the event to increase ticket sales.

New Business: Commissioner Herring shared that recent changes within the United States Postal Service have affected how mail is stamped. It has been advised that anyone dropping off mail at the post office should request that a postal employee hand-stamp their mail to ensure confirmation of processing.

Departmental Report: Chairwoman Pelham stated the Departmental Report can be found in the meeting packet.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 26, 2026.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Abrams, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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Crystal Edmonds

Crystal Edmonds, Secretary