



**City of Moorhead  
Human Rights Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
November 18, 2020 – 5:00PM  
Online format via Webex**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Human Rights Commission was held in the City Hall Council Chambers and online via Webex on November 18, 2020, at 5:00 PM.

**1. Call to order** The meeting was called to order at 5:01 pm.

**2. Roll call**

Roll Call of the members was made as follows:

Board Member:

Board Member: Cani Adan Absent

3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Council Member: Deb White Present

Board Member: Shinwar Mayi Absent

Board Member: MaKell Pauling Normandin Present

Board Member: Ilene Cohen-Pearson Present

Board Member: Heather Keeler Present

**3. Approval of Agenda/Minutes**

The agenda and minutes were approved with a motion made by Deb White, seconded by MaKell Pauling Normandin, and passed by unanimous consent.

**4. Citizens to be heard**

None

**5. Law Enforcement Update – Sgt. Martin**

Sgt. Martin shared department statistics.

**6. Guest Speaker – Moorhead Schools Indian Education – Delores Gabbard**

Shared information on program. Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

**7. 2020 Human Rights Awards – Review Nomination Forms and Select Recipients**

Commissioners discussed nominations. Motion was made to award the following:

Jamaal Abegaz – Civic/Community  
Ahmed Shill – Youth  
Kari Yates – Education  
Moorhead Police Athletics and Activities League (PAL) – Non-Profit

Motion was made by Deb White, seconded by MaKell Pauling Normandin, and passed by unanimous consent.

**8. 2021 Annual Plan – Review, Update, Approve**

Commissioners reviewed updated plan. Motion to approve was made by Deb White, seconded by Ilene Cohen-Pearson, and passed by unanimous consent.

**9. Community Listening Sessions – Planning**

Moved to next month's agenda

**10. Human Rights Commission Disclosure - Draft**

Moved to next month's agenda

**11. Reports/Announcements/Upcoming Events**

Commissioner Keeler announced December would be her last meeting.

Commissioner White discussed how HRC could expand its role, discussed the possibility of having subcommittees.

**12. New Business**

No new business discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 6:09pm.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Joshua Huffman, HRC Staff Liaison

The proceedings of this meeting are digitally recorded and are available for public review.