



# Royal Oak

## Agenda

### Royal Oak Human Rights Commission Meeting

Monday, October 7, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

City Hall, Room 122

203 S. Troy Street

Royal Oak, Michigan 48067

Anyone planning to attend the meeting who has need of special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is asked to contact the city clerk's office at 248-246-3050 at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

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## Minutes

### Royal Oak Human Rights Commission Meeting

**September 3, 2024, 6:30 p.m.  
City Hall, Room 122  
203 S. Troy Street  
Royal Oak, Michigan 48067**

Present:                   Rachel Andrews  
                                 Annie Urasky  
                                 Bob Luxon  
                                 Ashley Morel  
                                 Brett Tillander  
                                 Gerardo Aponte-Safe

Absent:                   Tiekeya Smith

Non-Voting Members   Susan Barkman  
Present:                   Alayna Brasch

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#### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

#### **2. Roll Call**

#### **3. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: Bob Luxon  
Seconded by: Brett Tillander

Agenda approved.

Motion Adopted

#### **4. Approval of Minutes**

Moved by: Brett Tillander  
Seconded by: Rachel Andrews

Motion Adopted

**5. Public Comment**

None.

**6. Business**

**6.a Update on Survey**

The contact/resource survey is still open for members to complete.

Rachel Andrews would like to see: "What are human rights issues that are important to you?" (Ranking responses type of question) (issues such as gender identity issues, LGBTQ issues, race, ect., mental health issues, youth issues, senior issues)

Brett Tillander would like to see: A broad survey that is intentionally broad.

The group unanimously expressed interest in doing the survey after the election (around December-January) and this will hopefully coincide with the time the city gets its new city manager.

Perhaps the survey could go out in the December Insight issue (its mailed out to every home) in addition to Survey Monkey and the school district resident access. We can also do QR codes in the parking lots, reach out to the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce.

Annie Urasky: The City Commission could mention the survey during one of their meetings on the livestream. And we can have QR codes to the survey in local stores' bulletin boards.

Brett Tillander: Can reach out to John Weitz to get data on attendees for Arts Beats & Eats. Also offering a chance to win a gift certificate to a downtown in exchange for filling out a survey makes it more enticing.

\*Staff will resend internal survey and a reminder to fill it out to commission members.

**6.b Annual Report Approval**

Note: Include the Naturalization event that the HRC sponsored

Note: Include Annie Urasky's involvement in ADA council meetings.

**Resolution Number: Approval of content**

Motion Adopted

**7. Public Comment**

Lisa Mason: Is going to send a link to Susan to send to the group.

**8. Commissioner Reports**

Robert Luxon: Upcoming Native American Powwows happening on the 14th and 15th of this month, as well as one in Detroit on the 21st.

Rachel Andrews: She is going to reach out to schools in the area to find the group's next potential HRC student member.

**9. Announcements**

Annie Urasky: September is Deaf Awareness Month.

**9.a Next Meeting October 7, 2024**

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Moved by: Rachel Andrews

Seconded by: Brett Tillander

Motion Adopted