

City of Fort Collins Human Relations Commission (HRC)
February 09, 2017, 5:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Location: CIC Room, City Hall West, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521

Council Liaison: Council Member Bob Overbeck

Staff Liaison: Director of Social Sustainability Beth Sowder

Recorder: Jayne A. Smith

Present: Colleen Conway, Johanna Ulloa Girón, Susan Mathre, Jimena Sagas, Victor Smith, Joseph Somodi, Nancy Tellez and Laura Vetrano.

Absent: Kimberly Allison

Guest Presenters:

- **Cheryl Distaso – Community Action Network**
- **Lynn Thompson – Fort Collins Homeless Coalition**
- **Jeff Mihelich – Deputy City Manager**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

The meeting agenda was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The January meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC INPUT

- **Michael Pruznick** – Michael addressed the lack of response when letters were written to the City Council from concerned residents regarding the homeless population in Fort Collins.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS

- **Cheryl Distaso and Lynn Thompson** presented on the **use of public space**, including **public housing** and the **history of HUD** (The Department of Housing and Urban Development).
- **Jeff Mihelich** presented information about the draft ordinance, **Compassion and Consequences: Disruptive Behavior Solutions**.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- Members discussed the draft ordinance **Compassion and Consequences: Disruptive Behavior Solutions**. A motion was made to send a memo to City Council expressing the view that the HRC does not support the ordinance. The motion was **unanimously approved**. A committee was established to outline the HRC's recommendation to Council.

CLOSING

A motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 7:57 p.m.

The **Next HRC meeting** will be Thursday March 09, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. in the CIC Room, City Hall West.