



AGENDA  
CHASKA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION  
CHASKA CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS & ZOOM  
Thursday, June 26, 2025  
6:30 PM

1. Roll Call
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Open Forum/Guest Presentation
4. Approve Minutes
  - 4.A. Approve Meeting Minutes - May 22, 2025
5. Treasurer's Report
  - 5.A. Treasurer's Report - June 2025
6. Old Business
  - 6.A. MLK Human Rights Celebration
  - 6.B. Women's Appreciation
  - 6.C. Pride Celebration
  - 6.D. River City Days
  - 6.E. Cultural Heritage Month
  - 6.F. Indigenous Peoples Recognition
  - 6.G. Veteran Acknowledgment
  - 6.H. Community Outreach
7. New Business
8. Belonging Message
9. Next Meeting Date - July 24, 2025
10. Adjourn



Minutes  
CHASKA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION  
Thursday, May 22, 2025  
6:30 PM

1. Roll Call  
Present: Chairperson Carlson, Vice Chairperson Welvaert, Commissioners Brittany Haanan, Kevin Mee, Hanne Sandison (arrived at 6:39 p.m.), Youth Representative Juhi Ghatti, and City Staff Elise Durbin  
Absent: Commissioners Hubbard, Lesueur, Hamza, and Duffy
2. Open Forum/Guest Presentation – no guests
3. Approve Minutes
  - 4.A. Adopt Meeting Minutes – March 27, 2025  
Motion: Commissioner Mee  
Second: Commissioner Haanan  
Motion: Carried
4. Treasurer’s Report
  - 5.A. Treasurer’s Report 2025  
Durbin reported May expenses as follows: \$2,000 was approved at the last meeting for the Pride celebration, this is reflected in the balance. Final totals will be available at the end of the event.  
  
Motion: Commissioner Ghatti  
Second: Commissioner Mee  
Motion Carried
5. Old Business
  - 6.A. MLK Human Rights Celebration  
Nothing to report.  
  
6.B. Women’s Appreciation  
Nothing to report.

6.C. Pride Celebration

Commissioner Welvaert provided an update on the event. She shared that they have a few committed partners for the event. She noted that Zen Den Yoga has committed to having a class and a table. Durbin added that the library is unable to participate in the event this year. Commissioner Welvaert suggested asking for a list of books that they can recommend. She discussed the ice cream and food options for the event. They have purchased 100 t-shirts with a Chaska Pride logo. She provided details of other activities and plans for the event. The event has been advertised on the City website and brochure, they will also share on social media closer to the event. Chair Carlson discussed reaching out to Carver County Pride and asking if they would like to participate or attend their Pride celebration.

6.D. River City Days

Nothing to report.

6.E. Cultural Heritage Month

Nothing to report.

6.F. Indigenous Peoples Recognition

Nothing to report.

6.G. Veterans Acknowledgement

Nothing to report.

6.H. Community Outreach

Nothing to report.

6. New Business

7.A. Partnership and Funding Requests Policy

Chair Carlson introduced the topic and provided background on the potential policy. She discussed that they would like to create a guideline for partnering with community organizations. Commissioner Welvaert shared details on how she dealt with the funding requests when she was chair. She noted that having a guideline will be very helpful when deciding how to partner with the community. Commissioner Ghatti added that at her school, when requesting funding or support, they must go through a formal application process to possibly receive funding. She suggested that this may be useful for the Commission to adopt. Chair Carlson noted that there has been an increase in funding requests for them and many other organizations. She provided details on what will need to be provided in a request for partnership/funding. Commissioner Haanan noted that she is in support of having this guideline to create more consistency in the

requests. She added that the form should include what exactly the organization is requesting from the Commission. Commissioner Welvaert added that the Commission could suggest having the organizations come to a guest presentation at the next meeting, following filling out the application. This will allow the Commission to learn more and ask questions. Commissioner Ghatti also suggested having a minimum time between the request and when the money/partnership is needed. Commissioner Sandison suggested listing a funding limit on the form. Chair Carlson listed the limitations and exclusions for partnerships.

Chair Carlson asked for a motion to adopt the Chaska HRC Partnership and Funding Request Policy.

Motion: Commissioner Welvaert  
Second: Commissioner Sandison  
Motion: Carried

Commissioner Haanan asked for an update on the banners and signs that have been discussed. Durbin explained that they have not been ordered and need to be designed. The Commission discussed what words should be included on the banners.

8. Message of Belonging

Chair Carlson shared the May message of belonging.

9. Next Meeting Date – June 26, 2025, at City Hall Council Chambers.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

**CHASKA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**  
**June 26, 2025**

<b>2025 Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>
January	
Human Rights Award Plaques	(\$168.74)
Books (MLK Day event)	(\$420.97)
Refreshments (MLK Day event)	(\$256.05)
February	
HRC Commissioner name tag	(\$21.10)
March	
April	
May	
T-shirts (Pride Celebration)	(\$830.50)
June	
Booth (River City Days)	(\$50.00)
Supplies (Pride Celebration)	(\$67.68)
Pride Celebration Remaining Budget	(\$1,101.82)
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	
December	
<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$3,583.14</b>

**Notes:**

- A budget of \$2,000 was approved at the March 27, 2025 HRC meeting for the Pride Celebration event.