

ASSEMBLY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

February 7, 2022 6:00 PM
Assembly Chambers/Zoom Webinar
MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

HRC Chair Hughes-Skandijs called the Assembly Human Resources Committee meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

III. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Alicia Hughes-Skandijs, Michelle Hale, ‘Wáahlaal Gíidaak and Christine Woll

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Deputy Clerk Di Cathcart, City Clerk Beth McEwen, City Manager Rorie Watt, City Attorney Robert Palmer, Deputy City Manager Robert Barr

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved as presented.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved as presented.

A. January 10, 2022 Assembly Human Resources Committee Minutes-Draft

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. AGENDA TOPICS

A. Juneau Economic Development Council (JEDC)-Appointment-Labor Seat

MOTION: by Ms. Woll to forward to the full Assembly for approval, the

appointment of Rodney Hesson to an Organized Labor seat on the Juneau Economic Development Council Board for a term beginning immediately and ending October 31, 2022. *Hearing no objections, motion passed.*

B. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)-Appointment to Seat 6-primary media seat

The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) has primary and alternate seats. Staff requests the Assembly Human Resources Committee (HRC) forward the nomination of the below applicant for appointment to the Assembly. At the December 13, 2021 HRC, the committee reappointed Bill Legere to the primary media seat. Mr. Legere notified staff in January 2022 that he would not seek reappointment after all. The LEPC thanks Mr. Legere for his many years of service.

Seat 6 – Media Seat [Primary Member] {seat formally held by Bill Legere} replacing him is Jennifer Pemberton, starting immediately and ending 12/31/2024.

MOTION: by Ms. Hale to forward to the full Assembly for approval, the recommendation to forward to the State of Alaska Emergency Response Commission the appointment of Jennifer Pemberton to the Local Emergency Planning Committee Media Primary Seat and for a term beginning immediately and ending December 31, 2024. *Hearing no objections, motion passed.*

C. Public Participation Rules and Resolution 2976

City Attorney Robert Palmer walked committee members through the proposed changes between draft Resolution 2976 and the current adopted Resolution 2949; specifically highlighting the changes related to public participation.

Discussion was had regarding what could be considered offensive vs. benign speech, criminal charges vs. warnings what tools were currently available via zoom for pre-registering to give public testimony, how changes to public participation would impact staff workloads and whether to allow public testimony at Assembly Standing Committee meetings; or keep that reserved for 'at the call of the Chair' whether public testimony would occur with a minimum of 24 hours notice required to advertise that public testimony would be taken.

Committee members requested a more in-depth memo that outlines registration and criminal options be included with the resolution when it goes to the Assembly Committee of the Whole.

MOTION: by Ms. Hale to forward Resolution 2976 to the Assembly Committee of the Whole for further discussion, *hearing no objection, motion passed.*

VIII OTHER BUSINESS

A. 2022 Assembly Goals

The committee will review the 2022 Assembly Goals and Implementing Actions to see which goals fit within the charge of the Human Resources Committee. This topic will sit as a placeholder on the agenda for review as time allows during meetings.

The Human Resources Committee reviewed the 2022 Assembly Goals and felt goal 4: Community, Wellness and Public Safety - Juneau is safe and welcoming for all citizens best fit into the charge of the Human Resources Committee; especially 4A: Acknowledged and honor Juneau's indigenous culture, place names, naming policy and recognize Elizabeth Peratrovich Day and 4B: Explore government to government relations with tribes.

‘Wáahlaal Gíidaak asked if staff had started down a path of communication with Tlingit and Haida groups and the Douglas Island Indian Association. Mr. Barr stated the City Manager is in regular communication with the tribal organizations in Juneau.

Ms. Woll and Chair Hughes-Skandijs noted that 4c: Examine social service funding levels and process, could be split between the HRC and the Assembly Finance Committee.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

A. Change to SRRC Interview/Appointments Date & Shifting the 2/28 HRC to 5:30pm

Committee members approved holding Systemic Racism Review Committee interviews on February 17, 2022 via zoom webinar beginning at 5:30pm. Chair Hughes-Skandijs will bring that request forward during Committee Reports at the Regular Assembly meeting following tonight's Human Resources Committee meeting.

X. COMMITTEE MEMBER / LIAISON COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

None

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

A. February 28, 2022

XII.ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.