

**CITY OF KIRKLAND
HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
Minutes Commission Regular Meeting
January 23, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jory Hamilton called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Commissioners Cristian Liu, Gildas Cheung, Jonathan Stutz, Sriram Rajagopalan, Chloe Sow, Vice Chair Gabriela Lopez-Vazquez, and Chair Jory Hamilton

Commissioner Melantha Jenkins joined at 7 pm.

Staff Present: Jen Boone, Human Services Manager; Antoinette Smith, Human Services Coordinator

Meeting Recorder: Regi Schubiger, Youth Services Coordinator

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Vice Chair Gabriela Lopez-Vazquez read the land acknowledgement. Commissioner Sriram Rajagopalan will read the acknowledgment at the February meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Jory Hamilton requested a motion to approve the November 28, 2023, minutes. Vice Chair Gabriela Lopez-Vazquez made a motion for approval, Commissioner Cristian Liu seconded. Motion carried (Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstentions: 1).

5. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

a. A Regional Coalition for Housing

Elsa Kings from A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) shared information on the agency's efforts to address affordable housing on the Eastside.

7. BUSINESS

a. 2025-2026 Funding Priorities Discussion

That the Human Services Commission discuss funding priorities for the 2025-2026 Human Services Grant cycle.

b. Commission Application Review Calendar
Item moved to next meeting, February 27, 2024

8. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Commissioner Reports
None

b. Staff Reports and Announcements
Human Services Coordinator Antoinette Smith provided a summary of the City's response to the most recent severe weather incident on behalf of Human Services Coordinator Amanda Judd.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Jory Hamilton requested a motion to adjourn. Moved by Commissioner Gildas Cheung and seconded by Commissioner Melantha Jenkins. Meeting was adjourned at 8:31 pm.