



Housing and Human Services Advisory Commission Meeting

February 18, 2026

6:00 PM

Agenda

Present: Heather Nash, Lindsay Griffin, Muhsin Omar, Josie Hartmann, Lori Carter: Commission Members; Cristobal Palmer: Council Liaison; Tyler Haugle: Staff Liaison; Edwin Thomas: Staff; Delores Bailey, Valencia Thompson, LaTanya Davis, Sharron Reid: EMPOWERment, Inc. Representatives; Ash Nuckols, Patrick Hance: Refugee Community Partnership Representatives; Anna-Margaret, guest observer.

Absent: Anne-Marie Vanaman, Staff.

I. Welcome

Tyler Haugle welcomed all to the meeting. Lindsay Griffin acted as Chair and called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Everyone present introduced themselves for the benefit of the nonprofit representatives, new staff member Edwin Thomas, and guest observer Anna-Margaret.

II. Approval of the February 2026 meeting minutes

Griffin motioned to approve. Mushin Omar seconded. All in favor. None opposed. None absent.

III. EMPOWERment presentation

Delores Bailey, Valencia Thompson, LaTanya Davis, and Sharron Reid gave a presentation on EMPOWERment, Inc.'s nonprofit work, their history, and their upcoming projects. Commission members had time to ask questions.

IV. Refugee Community Partnership presentation

Ash Nuckols and Patrick Hance gave a presentation on Refugee Community Partnership's nonprofit work, their history, and their upcoming projects. Commission members had time to ask questions.

V. Human Services FY27 update

Edwin Thomas presented on the status of the Human Services funding process, reviewed the details of applications received this year, and reminded commission members of the timeline for public hearings, staff recommendations, and funds awarded.

VI. Staff Updates

Haugle reminded everyone that new member Imanie Williams will be joining the commission next month. Haugle then provided an update on the Orange County

Partnership to End Homelessness and reviewed the 3 commission seats still available, one of which is for an affordable housing expert. Commission members discussed recruitment. Haugle then thanked Griffin and Mushin Omar for their time and service on the commission, which has now concluded.

Omar motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. Griffin seconded. All in favor. None opposed. None absent.