



City of Tampa

Jane Castor, Mayor

Neighborhood & Community Affairs

Office of Human Rights

2555 East Hanna Avenue

Tampa, FL 33610-1365

Office (813) 274-5835

Human Rights Board

January 14, 2026

City Center at Hanna

2555 E. Hanna Ave

Tampa, Florida 33610

MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to the notice, the public hearing meeting of the Human Rights Board for the City of Tampa was held on January 14, 2026

Members Present: Valerie Chuchman
Jamie Jenkins
Michael Parrino
Sean Patterson
Trevor Rosine
Bill Truett
Kimberly Fruit
J. Ricc Rollins

Members Absent: Andrew Dougill

City Staff Present: Carl Brody
Naomi Candelaria
Oscar Cataquet
Michelle Davis
John Carrion

City Staff Absent: Mindi Rainey

Public Present: Kristine Sawyers, Esq.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Trevor Rosine, on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 9:06 am. Roll call was taken by Chairperson Rosine.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 15, MEETING MINUTES: The minutes approved with a Motion made by Co-Chair Bill Truett and a second made by Board Member Michael Parrino. The motion to approve November 15, 2025, minutes was approved unanimously.

3. NEW BUSINESS: Human Rights Supervisor Naomi Candelaria updated the board on Departmental changes and provided a staffing update. John Carrion was introduced to the board as the new Human Rights Investigator. Hope Tomasella will start as a new Human Rights investigator on January 20, 2026.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

5. Case Review: Pate v. 7009 Interbay Blvd FL owner – HUD: 04-25-8656-8/ FHAP: HOU 25-0011 – Staff report was presented by Human Rights Investigator Michelle Davis. Discussion was had amongst the board. A motion was made by Board Member Sean Patterson and seconded by Board Co-Chair Truett to uphold the no cause determination issued; the motion passed unanimously.

6. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES: Upcoming outreach activities were reviewed for February. New activities in the works with University of Tampa (UT), Hillsborough Community College (HCC) and University of South Florida (USF-Bulls Market) were announced by Human Rights Supervisor Naomi Candelaria.

7. NEXT MEETING - The next Human Rights Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at Hanna City Center located at 2555 E Hanna Ave, Tampa, FL 33610 starting at 9am. A motion was made by Board Member Sean Patterson and seconded by Board Member Ricc Rollins to conduct voting for chair and co-chair at the February meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by Board Member Michael Parrino to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Board Member Ricc Rollins; the motion passed unanimously to adjourn, and the meeting ended at approximately 9:55 am.