

Seattle Human Rights Commission Agenda

Thursday, August 6, 2026

Meeting Location:

The meeting will be hosted in person at Seattle City Hall and online via Zoom.

To attend virtually, [join the meeting on Zoom](#).

To attend in person, visit Seattle City Hall, 600 4th Ave, Board and Commissions Room #L280.

Commissioners:

- Vice Chair: Smith, B.
- Commissioners Bailey, A., Leydon, N., Quander, B., Lewis, P., Duston, T., Tibbs, K., Gonser, K., Monson, B., Adams, Q., Kwafkwao, K., Issak, D., Stylianides, Z., Lin, T.
- Nominees: Flamon, Lavell

Office of Civil Rights Staff:

- Meredith Stone, Commissions Division Manager
- Marta Idowu, Commission Staff Liaison

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Agenda

Welcome & Land Acknowledgment (6:00 p.m.)

I. Commissioner Smith

“We are currently occupying the unceded lands of many First Peoples, Coast Salish people, Muckleshoot, Suquamish, Stillaguamish, and Duwamish. We acknowledge and thank local First Nations for their centuries of land stewardship that long predates the arrival of European settlers. We remind you to be aware of the spaces you occupy locally, that these lands were stolen from First People in the name of white settler colonialism and that you seek ways to continue your education and give back to local Indigenous communities.” (Duwamish Tribe’s website)

“We must acknowledge that much of what we know of this country today, including its culture, economic growth, and development throughout history and across time, has been made possible by the labor of enslaved Africans and their descendants who suffered the horror of the transatlantic trafficking of their people, chattel slavery, and Jim Crow. We are indebted to their labor and their sacrifice, and we must acknowledge the tremors of that violence throughout the generations and the resulting impact that can still be felt and witnessed today.” (Dr. Terah “TJ” Stewart)

Roll Call (6:03 p.m.)

Approval of the Meeting Minutes (6:05 p.m.)

- **April & July meeting minutes**
 - April meeting minutes
 - July meeting minutes

Public Comment (6:10 p.m.)

Guest Speaker (6:15 p.m.)

Ariel Schneier, Assistant City Attorney

Unfinished Business (6:35 p.m.)

- I. External Engagement Community Agreements**
 - Commissioner Isaak
 - Vote
- II. Filling Open Commission Roles**
 - Treasurer
- III. HRC Buddy System**
 - Commissioner Gonser

New Business (6:55 p.m.)

- I. Renaming the Criminal Legal System Reform Task Force**
 - Vice Chair Smith
- II. SOCR Appeals Findings Language**
 - Commissioner Leydon
- III. Notice of Intent to Move for Officer Removal**
 - Commissioners Bailey, Lewis, Quander

Committee & Task Force Reports (6:45 p.m.)

- I. Executive Committee**
 - a. Vice Chair Smith
 - b. Partnerships
- II. Policy Review Committee**
 - a. Vice Chair Smith
 - b. Draft Operational Stipend Proposal
- III. Communications Committee**
 - a. Commissioner Duston
- IV. Appeals Committee**
 - a. Commissioner Leydon
- V. Events Committee**
 - a. Commissioner Quander

VI. Housing & Unhoused Task Force

- a. Commissioner Bailey

VII. Government & Community Relations

- a. Commissioner Lewis

VIII. Criminal Legal System Reform

- a. Commissioner Smith

Announcements (7:55 p.m.)

I. Seattle Office of Civil Rights Updates

- a. Meredith Stone, Commission Divisions Manager

Upcoming Events & Meetings

- I. September 3, 2026, Monthly SHRC Meeting
- II. October 1, 2026, Monthly SHRC Meeting
- III. October 3, 2026, Candidate Forum
- IV. November 5, 2026, Monthly SHRC Meeting
- V. December 3, 2026, Monthly SHRC Meeting
- VI. December 13, 2026, Human Rights Day

Adjourn