



Civil Rights Commission

City of Cedar Rapids  
Civil Rights Commission

**Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

4:30 PM. – 5:30 PM

**Commissioners Present:** Ms. Salma Igram – Chair  
Mr. Robin Tucker

**Commissioners Absent:** Mr. Keith Rippey

**Staff Present:** Ms. LaSheila Yates, Executive Director  
Ms. Alicia Abernathy, Administrative Assistant

Meeting started at 4:37 PM.

**Public Response** - No public present.

**Approval of Minutes** – Robin Tucker moved to approve the minutes. Salma Igram seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**New Business –**

**1. March FY16 Report**

LaSheila Yates, Executive Director, stated we are currently 75% of the way through the fiscal year. At this time the Commission is at 154% of the total revenue budgeted for the year in the general fund. This is due to revenues from Marion Civil Rights Commission and Iowa Civil Rights Commission billings. At this time the Commission has spent 48% of the budget for Discretionary Non-Personal Services and there will be a \$6,500 refund from the AmeriCorp position. For the FHAP budget, the Commission was budgeted to receive \$26,000 in revenue and has received \$130,000 in revenue this year so a budget amendment was completed. The Commission currently has \$49,000 in expenditures. In the Special Revenue Fund there is still approximately \$12,000.

Ms. Yates stated the Commission is eligible for \$15,000 in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant money next fiscal year. Ms. Yates stated she is putting together a proposal of how to spend the money for HUD consideration. Proposed projects include bus advertisements, banners displayed downtown, the fair housing poster contest, etc.

Commissioner Tucker and Commissioner Igram indicated they had no concerns with the where the budget stands at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 PM.

*Respectfully submitted by Alicia Abernathy*