

1:221. - [Human Rights Commission—Created; appointment; term; compensation.]

There is hereby created a Human Rights Commission. It shall be composed of 9 members, to be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council and shall be responsible directly to the Mayor and City Council. The commission shall select 1 of its members as chairperson. Members shall serve staggered 3-year terms. The term as chairperson shall be for 1 year with no limit on the number of times a member may be reappointed as chairperson. Members, including the chairperson, shall serve without compensation.

(Ord. No. 68-69, 1-19-70; Ord. No. 28-78, 6-19-78; Ord. No. 74-92, § 1, 10-5-92)

1:222. - [Same—Duties.]

The commission shall:

- (a) Make periodic public reports and recommendations to the City Council and City Administrator on ways to improve city government programs and ordinances designed to eliminate discrimination or to remove the effects of past discrimination;
- (b) Investigate, study, hold hearings and make recommendations to City Council regarding complaints from any class or group protected under the human rights ordinance;
- (c) Review and make recommendations to City Council on the affirmative action programs of persons or firms conducting business with the city;
- (d) Research, formulate and carry out programs of community education with the objective of discouraging and eliminating racial tensions, and prejudice or discrimination against any groups of persons;
- (e) Advise and communicate with federal and state agencies regarding their human rights and affirmative action programs for the purpose of making recommendations to City Council on more effective coordination of federal, state and city programs.

(Ord. No. 68-69, 1-19-70; Ord. No. 28-78, 6-19-78)

1:223. - [Same—To address city procedures and programs.]

The commission shall not address itself to questions of whether specific instances of discrimination have occurred, but, rather, shall address itself to needed changes in city procedures and programs.

(Ord. No. 68-69, 1-19-70; Ord. No. 28-78, 6-19-78)

1:224. - [Same—Rules of conduct for meeting; hearings, etc.]

The commission shall establish and submit for city council approval rules for the conduct of its meetings, hearings, investigations and research.

(Ord. No. 68-69, 1-19-70; Ord. No. 28-78, 6-19-78)

1:225. - [Same—Meetings to be open to public.]

The commission meetings and procedures shall be conducted under the Michigan Freedom of Information and Open Meeting Laws.

(Ord. No. 68-69, 1-19-70; Ord. No. 28-78, 6-19-78)

1:226. - Same—Time of meetings; attendance.

The commission shall meet at least once each 2 months at an established day and hour that it deems convenient for public participation. The human rights department director shall attend commission meetings and provide clerical support.

(Ord. No. 68-69, 1-19-70; Ord. No. 28-78, 6-19-78)

1:226A. - Reserved.

Editor's note—

Ord. No. 68-69, adopted Jan. 19, 1970, repealed § 1:226A.

1:227—1:230. - Reserved.

Editor's note—

Ord. No. 11-90, § 1, adopted March 19, 1990, repealed §§ 1:227—1:230, which pertained to the citizens' youth commission and derived from Ord. No. 28-61, adopted July 10, 1961.

1:231—1:234. - Reserved.