



Minutes Tempe Family Justice Commission December 20, 2022

Minutes of the TEMPE FAMILY JUSTICE COMMISSION held on Tuesday, December 20, 4:00 PM., via Microsoft Teams and Tempe Library Board Room

(MEMBERS) Present:

Mary O'Grady, Chair
Ilene Dode, Vice Chair
Jeanette Costa
Margaret "Peggy" Tinsley
Jill Oliver
Jill Etienne
Bjorg LeSueur
Anastasia Stinchfield
Patricia Riggs
Josie Montenegro

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Mark Perkovich

City Staff Present:

Paul Bentley, Deputy Human Services Director
Nicole Galvan, Administrative Assistant II+

Public Appearances

There were no individuals present for public appearance.

Guest Appearances

There were no guest appearances.

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chair O'Grady called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM

Agenda Item 2 – Attendance

Commission Member Perkovich was absent.
Commission Member Riggs arrived after attendance was taken.

Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances

There were no public comments.

Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of November 15, 2022 Minutes

Commission Member Tinsley disclosed a minor edit on Agenda Item 6.

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to APPROVE the edited November 15, 2022, Minutes.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Oliver; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair O'Grady, Vice Chair Dode, Commission Members Costa, Tinsley, Stinchfield, Oliver, Etienne, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro

ABSENT: Commission Member Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 5 – Chair Remarks

Mr. Bentley took the opportunity to thank Chair O’Grady for her service as Chair of the Commission for 2022. Mr. Bentley noted Chair O’Grady’s advocacy in reaching out to the Mayor and City Council to advance the completion of the Family Advocacy Center.

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to thank Chair O’Grady for her service.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Vice Chair Dode; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair O’Grady, Vice Chair Dode, Commission Members Costa, Tinsley, Stinchfield, Oliver, Etienne, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro

ABSENT: Commission Member Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 6 – Family Justice Commission Election

MOTION: Chair O’Grady moved to nominate Commission Member Oliver to serve as Chair.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Tinsley; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair O’Grady, Vice Chair Dode, Commission Members Costa, Tinsley, Stinchfield, Oliver, Etienne, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro

ABSENT: Commission Member Perkovich was absent.

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to nominate Commission Member Perkovich as Vice Chair.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Vice Chair Dode; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair O’Grady, Vice Chair Dode, Commission Members Costa, Tinsley, Stinchfield, Oliver, Etienne, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro

ABSENT: Commission Member Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 7 – Human Sex Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Memorandum Review and Adoption

Mr. Bentley read through the draft and the Commission contributed to making final edits to the document.

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to approve the Human Sex Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Memorandum with the proposed edits.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Oliver; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair O’Grady, Vice Chair Dode, Commission Members Costa, Tinsley, Stinchfield, Oliver, Etienne, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro

ABSENT: Commission Member Perkovich was absent.

Agenda Item 8 – Preparation for January 2023 Conversation with Chief Diversity Officer Humes

The Commission proposed informing Ms. Hume’s of the Commission’s role and interests and offering ways in which the Commission can support the role of Chief Diversity Officer.

The Commission suggested asking about the city’s priorities for diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The Commission proposed inquiring about how to make the Commission more accessible to a diverse population.

Agenda Item 9 – Domestic Violence Poster Campaign Update

The Commission coordinated the continued distribution of the Posters.

The Commission requested that CARE7 advise the Commission of any clients that contact Victim Services and mention the posters as the method for connecting to CARE7’s resources.

Agenda Item 10 – CARE7 Victim Services Data Review and Discussion

Commission Member Stinchfield advised that the age group most likely to connect with CARE7’s resources is 25-44.

Commission Member Stinchfield acknowledged that human trafficking numbers appear low because human trafficking is underreported and misreported, as human trafficking can often look like domestic violence.

Commission Member Stinchfield informed that domestic violence is the prominent statistic of victims served.

Commission Member Stinchfield noted that 396 clients were assisted in navigating the criminal justice system last quarter.

Agenda Item 11 – Family Justice Commission Strategic Plan Discussion

Chair O’Grady reviewed the Commission’s goals for the next year and advised to keep the goals in mind when setting future agenda items.

Agenda Item 12 – Tempe Family Advocacy Center Program Update

Commission Member Stinchfield informed the Commission that the Victim Services staff have installed furniture and items to provide yoga, arts, and music enrichment services.

Commission Member Montenegro informed that there are some delays in moving in some Police Department equipment, but the equipment is still available for use elsewhere and services are not interrupted by the delays.

Commission Member Stinchfield advised that the Commission will be able to tour the Family Advocacy Center soon.

Agenda Item 10 – Commission Member Updates

Mr. Bentley proposed creating packets for in-person Family Justice Commission meeting attendees. The packets would include the Family Justice Commission establishment ordinance, the Strategic Plan, and relevant meeting documents.

The Commission resolved to also utilize name tags for in-person Family Justice Commission Member attendees.

The Commission members suggested opting-in or opting-out of receiving a packet so as not to create excess paper waste.

Agenda Item 13 –Future Agenda Items

Commission members discussed establishing an intern partnership between Arizona State University and the Family Advocacy Center.

Commission Member Oliver proposed introducing Arizona State University’s “Survivor Link” to the Family Advocacy Center.

Agenda Item 14 – Adjournment

MOTION: Commission Member Tinsley moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: Motion Seconded by Commission Member Oliver; Motion passed unanimously

AYES: Chair O’Grady, Vice Chair Dode, Commission Members Costa, Tinsley, Stinchfield, Oliver, Etienne, LeSueur, Riggs, and Montenegro

ABSENT: Commission Member Perkovich was absent

Chair O’Grady declared the meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.

The next meeting will be on January 17, 2023.

Minutes Prepared by: Nicole Galvan

Reviewed by: Paul Bentley

Mary O’Grady, Chair
Tempe Family Justice Commission