



**Cambridge Human Rights Commission**  
**Thursday, June 5, 2014**

Present: Commissioners Chanta Bhan, Mercedes Evans, Melissa Gonzalez-Brenes, Kerry Gough, Nicholas Leydon, Harry Reyes Nieva, Brendan St. Amant, Sabrina Selk, and Randa Shedid; and City staff Nancy Schlacter, Mariah Freark and Carmen S. Negrón.

Absent: Commissioners Bonita Cox and Kim Nghiem.

Guests: Cliff Cook, Planning Information Manager of Community Development and Chris Burke, Police Superintendent

Documents Used:

- CDD Demographics Presentation 2014

**1. Call to order**

Vice Chair Bhan called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. No one was recording the meeting.

**2. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**3. Review and Approval of April and May Minutes**

Minutes for April were unanimously approved. Motion to approve by Commissioner Gough and seconded by Commissioner Selk. Minutes for May were unanimously approved. (Commissioners Bhan, Evans, Gonzalez-Brenes, Gough, Leydon, Reyes Nieva, St. Amant, Selk, and Shedid). Motion made by Commissioner Selk and seconded by Commissioner Reyes Nieva. (Commissioners Bhan, Evans, Gonzalez-Brenes, Gough, Leydon, Reyes Nieva, St. Amant, Selk, and Shedid).

**4. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Schlacter updated the Commission on closed cases and staff activities. She also showed the CHRC PSA video made by Commissioners Gough and Nghiem.

Commissioners voted to not have meetings in July and August. Commissioner Reyes Nieva motioned and Commissioner Evans seconded. (Commissioners Bhan, Evans, Gonzalez-Brenes, Gough, Leydon, Reyes Nieva, St. Amant, Selk, and Shedid).

**5. Cliff Cook, CDD Demographer Presentation**

Cliff Cook provided a presentation on the 2014 demographics in Cambridge.

**6. New business**

Commissioner St. Amant stated that he is moving to Medford and will no longer be serving as a Commissioner. He thanked everyone and said it was great working with the Commission. The Commission thanked him for his service.

Commissioner Gonzalez-Brenes stated that Cambridge City Council passed a resolution against ongoing implementation of the Homeland Security Department's (HSD) 'Secure Communities' program of

information-sharing between Cambridge Police Department and HSD. She stated that Somerville first passed a similar resolution and now Cambridge is doing the same.

E.D. Schlacter stated that 22 CityView Inside's video could be produced in the fall and suggested it should focus on the lead paint issue. She suggested that Commissioners think of who could participate in the video. Commissioner Selk offered to assist. E.D. Schlacter said it could be the first video in a series.

## **7. Outreach**

E.D. Schlacter reminded Commissioners that the River Festival is on Saturday, June 7, 2014.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Next Commission meeting is Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.**