



AGENDA

Human Rights Commission Meeting

5:15 PM - Monday, April 27, 2026
City Hall Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER	
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES	
2.1. Approve Minutes of the March 23, 2026 meeting.	2
2026.03.23 Human Rights Commission Minutes	
3. BUDGET REPORT	
3.1. Review Monthly Financial Report.	3 - 4
2026.04.21 YTD	
3.2. Prepare 2027 Budget Request. Deadline to submit is June 26, 2026	5
2027 Budget Request	
4. EVENTS COMMITTEE (PARTICIPATING EVENTS)	
4.1. Bavarian Blast 5k Fun Run sponsored by TBD - Date and time to be determined.	
4.2. Bavarian Blast Parade - Sunday, July 19, 2026 at 12:30 p.m. Registration deadline is June 30th. Fee \$10.	
4.3. New Ulm Night Out - Date and time to be determined. Information regarding the event will be distributed in May.	
4.4. Brown County Fair - Wednesday, August 12 - Sunday, August 16, 2026.	
4.5. South Central Minnesota Pridefest Parade and Festival - September 10 - 13, 2026 - Parade information will be posted by June 2026.	
5. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON	
5.1. Kristin Sprenger (April - June).	
6. CURRENT HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES	
7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
7.1. The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Monday, May 25, 2026.	
8. ADJOURNMENT	

New Ulm Human Rights Commission Minutes
March 23rd, 2026, 5:15 pm
City Hall Council Chambers

Members Present: Kristin Sprenger, Katie Dorschner, Sarah Leslie, Kassandra Carl Zeidler, Deb Egeland, Kassandra Thompson, David Nissen

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by chairperson, Kristin S.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 A motion to approve the HRC Minutes from the 2/23/26 meeting as written was made by Carl Z and seconded by Deb E. The motion was passed by unanimous consent.

3. Budget Report:

3.1 The budget was reviewed. 57% of the 2025 budget was carried over to 2026. 100% of the 2026 budget remains.

4. Events Committee (HRC Sponsored):

4.1 Welcoming Week - Vendors have been contacting HRC regarding participation in the 2026 event. A motion to set the date for the annual Welcoming Week celebration for 9/18/26 was made by Katie D and seconded by Carl Z. The motion was passed by unanimous consent.

4.2 Human Rights Award - the subcommittee will meet to plan a date.

5. Education Committee Report

5.1 The Living Without Limits panel on autism will be held on April 10th. Sarah will be on KNUJ to promote the event. Kristin will contact the New Ulm Journal.

6. Legislative Update: Carl shared that the MN Human Rights Department settled with Lyft ride-sharing service to ensure riders cannot be denied due to having a service animal.

7. City Council Liaison:

7.1 Carl - nothing relevant reported, although the committee will monitor progress on the old armory building sale, should it be made into a public building to ensure accessibility is considered. Kristin volunteered to be the next liaison for April-June.

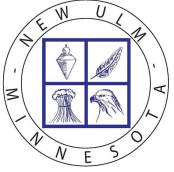
8. Date of Next Meeting:

8.1 The next regularly scheduled meeting is Monday, April 27, 2026.

9. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting by Sarah, seconded by Deb, and passed by all members present. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Leslie



New Ulm, MN

Detail vs Budget Report Account Detail

Date Range: 01/01/2026 - 04/21/2026

Account	Name	Encumbrances	Fiscal Budget	Beginning Balance	Total Activity	Ending Balance	Budget Remaining	% Remaining
101 - GENERAL FUND								
Expense								
101-1000-355115	Human Rights Commission	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00	100.00%
	Expense Totals:	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00	100.00%
	101 - GENERAL FUND Totals:	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00	100.00%
	Report Total:	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00	100.00%

Fund Summary

Fund	Encumbrances	Fiscal Budget	Beginning Balance	Total Activity	Ending Balance	Budget Remaining	% Remaining
101 - GENERAL FUND	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00	100.00%
Report Total:	0.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,000.00	100.00%

NEW ULM HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION BUDGET REQUEST 2027

Category	2026	2027 Proposed	Description
Community Events and Promotional Materials	\$ 3,900.00		Fair, Parades, Welcoming Week Event, Signs, Stickers, etc. Welcome Week is a new expense. Last year was funded by a one-time grant.
Human Rights Award	\$ 500.00		Reception - food and plaques
Living Without Limits Series	\$ 2,400.00		New event to replace poster and essay contest which received low participation the past years.
Program Expenses	\$ 2,200.00		Speaker Fees and Advertising
Total Requested	\$ 9,000.00		