



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 18-35

City Council

8/9/2018

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: City Council Vice President Sherri F. Myers

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION NO. 18-35 - SUPPORT OF THE ESCAMBIA-PENSACOLA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt Resolution No. 18-35:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF THE ESCAMBIA-PENSACOLA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, URGING BOTH ESCAMBIA COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PENSACOLA CONTINUED FUNDING OF COMMISSION.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The Escambia-Pensacola Human Relations Commission (EPHRC) was established in 1974 to provide the community with local assistance to review and resolve employment discrimination complaints, fair housing discrimination complaints, improve community relations and promote fair treatment and equal opportunity for all Escambia County citizens regardless of race, color, gender, religion, age, national origin or disability.

The City and County have entered into an Interlocal agreement for the governance, funding and powers of the EPHRC.

Within the Mayor's FY19 proposed budget, the EPHRC is defunded with the funds being transferred to Fair Housing. The understanding is that the County is taking a similar action thereby removing the need for the EPHRC.

This resolution expresses Council's support of the EPHRC, the desire for their continued funding and a reversal of the FY19 proposed budgetary plans.

PRIOR ACTION:

1974 - Escambia-Pensacola Human Relations Commission established
September 15, 2005 - Current Interlocal agreement signed

FUNDING:

Budget: \$79,000

Actual: \$79,000

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The \$79,000 defunded from the EPHRC and placed into Fair Housing, be reversed.

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Resolution No. 18-35
- 2) Sec. 5.2.20 Fair Housing Director
- 3) Sec. 5.2.22 Fair Housing Board

PRESENTATION: No