



## **Tulsa Women's Commission**

Regular Meeting | March 6, 2026 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm

City Hall at One Technology Center | Room 411

### **Meeting Minutes**

Commissioners Present: Toneille Bent, Premadonna Braddick, Susan Crenshaw, Dezeray Edwards, Ashleigh Frohrip, Betsy Jackson, Deidra Kirtley, Laura Latta, Meg Myers Morgan, Kate Neary, Maria Carlota Palacios

Commissioners Absent: Marcia Bruno-Todd, Mary Quinn Cooper, Charisa Jacobs

#### **I. Call to Order**

- a. Chairwoman Latta called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm.
- b. Chairwoman Latta recognized Women's History Month.
- c. Commissioner Braddick arrived at 12:18 pm.

#### **II. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- a. Chairwoman Latta entertained a motion to approve the February meeting minutes.
  - i. Commissioner Palacios made a motion, Commissioner Edwards seconded.
    1. Aye: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 0
  - ii. Motion carried, February meeting minutes approved.

#### **III. Chair / Vice Chair Report**

- a. Vice Chair Neary shared that she and Commissioner Carlota Palacios visited the Family Safety Center opening. It's an impressive facility with a comprehensive array of services. While there, they talked about TWC's focus on safety. Floated the idea of hosting a supplies drive (non-perishable food, new clothes, full size toiletries) based on their wish list.
  - i. Commissioner Edwards suggested getting an online wish list such as an so items can be shipped directly to them. Commissioners discussed date and location options for the drive.
  - ii. Commissioner Carlota Palacios suggested launching a safety-focused social media campaign.
- b. Pinnacle Awards Update
  - i. Chairwoman Latta encouraged commissioners to buy their ticket and invite five friends. Will take a video after the meeting to help advertise.
- c. Title V Commissions Chairs & Vice Chairs met with Mayor Nichols. Chairwoman Latta reminded commissioners to closely read the monthly newsletter with updates on other commissions.



- i. July 24 is the Title V and Beyond Apology Commissions Retreat. Fill out the survey Lexi sent to provide input on what topics you want included.
- d. TWC Presentation to City Council: Chairwoman Latta will share work of TWC on March 11 at 10:30 am in Room 411. Commissioners are encouraged to attend or stream on TGOV.

**IV. Refine Approach to 2026 Focus on Women’s Safety**

- a. Chairwoman Latta recapped February’s TWC discussion and how the group has refined the approach to women’s safety thus far.
- b. There might be an opportunity for TWC to host a breakout session about the Units of Inquiry at Leadership Tulsa’s Women’s Leadership Summit in June. Combined with Pinnacle Awards, TWC already has events under its portfolio.
- c. Possible Communications Initiatives: op-eds, news spots, presentations, social media posts, radio, partner with Tulsa influencers, others
  - i. Each committee could have an outcome be launching one communication initiative to disseminate information.
  - ii. Could do an op-ed for Women’s History Month highlighting women’s issues.
    - 1. Commissioners discussed possible outlets for an op-ed.
    - 2. Commissioner Jackson noted videos are popular on social media and that Tulsa World presents an accessibility barrier.
- d. Chairwoman Latta gauged commissioners' interest in forming special committees focused on each area of safety, with committees having the opportunity to define an outcome or goal they will pursue.
  - i. Committees can meet virtually or in-person between TWC monthly meetings to work.
  - ii. Chairwoman Latta noted that committees expand who can contribute to TWC’s work because non-commissioner community members can serve.

**V. Possible Action: Vote to Affirm Approach to 2026 Focus on Women’s Safety**

- a. Chairwoman Latta entertained a motion to affirm TWC’s approach to the focus on women’s safety.
  - i. Commissioner Jackson made a motion, Commissioner Crenshaw seconded.
    - 1. Aye: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 0
  - ii. Motion carried, TWC’s approach to focus on women’s safety is approved.

**VI. Possible Action: Vote to form Special Committees**

- a. Chairwoman Latta entertained a motion to form four special committees based on TWC’s pillars of safety.
  - i. Commissioner Myers Morgan made a motion, Vice Chair Neary seconded.
    - 1. Aye: 11, Nay: 0, Abstain: 0
  - ii. Motion carried, special committees established based on pillars of safety.



- b. Commissioner Edwards offered to lead Systems, Rights, and Institutional Safety and work alongside all four committees.
- c. Special Committee Chairs will be appointed in the April meeting. Chairwoman Latta asked commissioners to deeply consider which committee they will serve on.

**VII. Nominating Committee: Present Chair and Vice Chair Slate**

- a. Commissioner Jackson presented the Chair and Vice Chair slate.
  - i. Nominating Committee members contacted every commissioner to discuss their interest in leadership and who they nominate for the roles.
  - ii. Slate:
    - 1. Chair: Laura Latta
    - 2. Vice Chair: Kate Neary
- b. Open Nominations from the Floor
  - i. Commissioner Jackson opened the floor for additional nominations.
  - ii. No additional nominations were made.
- c. Slate will be voted on in the April meeting. Commissioner Jackson reminded commissioners quorum needs to be met.

**VIII. Old Business – no old business**

**IX. New Business – no new business**

**X. Announcements / Public Comments**

- a. Chairwoman Latta highlighted national headlines related to women's issues.

**XI. Adjournment**

- a. Chairwoman Latta entertained a motion to adjourn.
  - i. Commissioner Myers Morgan made a motion, Commissioner Kirtley seconded.
    - 1. Aye: 11, Nay: 0
  - ii. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.