## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR TULSA, OKLAHOMA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2016 - 2

CREATION OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE UNDER THE MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS TO REVIEW, EVALUATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL FOR ALTERING THE MEMBERSHIP OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AND THE FEASIBILITY OF CONSOLIDATION OF CERTAIN TITLE 5 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE CITY'S REVISED ORDINANCES INTO AN ORDINANCE-CREATED INTERCULTURAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Whereas, the Citizens of City of Tulsa expect efficient and effective government operation, regardless of city or county boundaries; and

Whereas, the City has a long and successful history of collaboration and cooperation with Commissions whose mission is to promote and educate the community about Tulsa diverse population, evident in such successful joint programs and projects undertaken by the Human Rights Commission, Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission, Greater Tulsa Area Hispanic Commission and the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women; and

Whereas, recent fiscal and operational challenges facing the City of Tulsa its respective departments require that a serious evaluation of administrative support services provided to all Boards and Commissions be undertaken at this time; and

Whereas, recognizing that the City Council has the express power and authority pursuant to Article XII, Section 4 to create boards and commissions by ordinance to serve and function in an advisory capacity; and

Whereas, recognizing that the Human Rights Commission, Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission, Greater Tulsa Area Hispanic Commission, and the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women were created by and exist pursuant to City ordinances under Title 5; and

Therefore, by the power vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Tulsa, it is hereby **ORDERED**:

**Section 1:** PURPOSE OF THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER The specific purposes of this Executive Order are, as follows:

- A. To establish an Advisory Committee under the Mayor's Office for Human Rights to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the feasibility of altering the membership of the Human Rights Commission.
- B. To explore the feasibility of consolidating Commissions receiving administrative support and services from the Mayor's Office for Human Rights (MOHR).
- C. To act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor in encouraging and promoting unity, purpose and understanding among Tulsa's diverse population regardless of race, color, creed, religion ethnicity, age, gender, disability, socioeconomic status, or sexual orientation.
- D. To encourage and promote cooperation between certain Boards and Commissions under Title 5, and serving as the collective voice for the general benefit and welfare of citizens of the greater Tulsa area;
- Section 2: <u>MEMBERSHIP</u> The Advisory Committee will be selected by the Mayor and comprised of a representative from the Human Rights Commission, Greater Tulsa Area Indian Affairs Commission, Greater Tulsa Area Hispanic Affairs Commission, Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women and the Greater Tulsa Area African American Affairs Commission\*.

## Section 3. ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S DUTIES. It shall be the duty of the Board to:

- 1. To conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the feasibility of altering the membership of the Human Rights Commission to include representation, and integrating the goals, duties and responsibilities, of certain boards and commissions currently existing under Title 5.
- 2. Advise the Mayor on the feasibility regarding all aspects of utilizing City personnel more efficiently and consolidating all of the City's ordinance-created Title 5 boards and commissions that receive direct support from the Mayor's Office for Human Rights, which exist now or at any time during the specific term and duration of this Advisory Committee set forth in Section 4, herein.
- 3. Advise the Mayor regarding the strategic direction and identify potential benefits of consolidating the various Boards and Commission under Title 5 that receive direct support from the Mayor's Office for Human Rights, into a single ordinance-created Intercultural Affairs Advisory Committee.
- 4. Hold at least one (1) regular meeting per quarter.

- 5. To report to the Mayor and County Commission within 90 days of the first meeting on the progress of the Advisory Committee and to provide other such reports quarterly and as deemed necessary by the Advisory Committee.
- 6. The Advisory Committee shall submit its final report and recommendation within twelve (12) months of the first meeting date.
- 7. Adopt rules for the transaction of business and keep a record of its resolutions, transactions, findings and determination.

Advisory Committee shall dissolve by the terms of this Executive Order without further action by the Mayor on the date in 2017, twelve (12) months after its first meeting,. No member of the Advisory Committee shall hold or be a candidate for public office.

**Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated this  $\cancel{D}$  day of June, 2016.

Dewey F. Bartlett, Jr., Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Attorney

\* Applicability to and membership of the Greater Tulsa Area African American Affairs Commission on the Advisory Committee created pursuant to this Executive Order is contingent upon the Tulsa City Council's approval of an ordinance creating such Commission.