

Board Appointment – Human Rights Commission: Siliveinusi M. Niu

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Anderson is recommending Siliveinusi M. Niu, a resident of District 2, to be appointed to the Human Rights Commission. (This will complete the District appointments for this commission) Mr. Niu's term ending date will be drawn by lot to expire on a staggered basis of two, three or four years each.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Mr. Nui is the owner of Ocean Star Electric, LLC and would like to be on this Commission to help his community bring more business jobs and to teach people on the west side to be leaders not followers. Mr. Nui believes in operating his electrical business through quality work and integrity, he is presently attending the Glendale and Pete Suazo's Business monthly meetings.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Vicki know by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 29, 2005.

CURRENT COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD:

According to City ordinance, the Human Rights Commission shall consist of nine members, one representative from each Council District and two from the community who will represent the diversity of the city. All members must be Salt Lake City residents and at least 18 years of age; each will serve a four-year term. Francisca Blanc, District 4; Christina Carver, District 7; Adrian Comollo, District 3; Raymond Gunn, District 6; Orin Howell, District 1; Chris Johnson, District 5; and Patrick Leary, District 5; Jim Teall, District 4.

BOARD STRUCTURE:

According to City ordinance, the Human Rights Commission makes recommendations to the Mayor and City Council regarding educational resources on issues of discrimination and equal treatment. Commissioners will review complaints of discrimination involving city departments or services to identify possible sources. Reviews legislation, policies or other action by the city designed to further eliminate prejudice and discrimination. Reviews pending legislation, policy changes or other city action that may impact human rights. Works in partnership to foster positive inter-group relations through educational programs.