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Nancy, et.al.,

Narrative and Facebook link to my post below. Questions:

1. Were the actions at the July 21, 2022 legal? The public was not notified this was going to be a "first reading."
2. Regarding revisions to the current version of the ordinance, who was involved in making the changes? Were the changes discussed at a public meeting, a working group session, other? Are there minutes?
3. Are the town council members that voted for a first reading going to share their reasoning for voting to approve this ordinance?
4. Does the lack of documented evidence in the committee "Report" as to need as opposed to a justification based on anecdotes and opinions place this ordinance in the category of a Placebo and not serious legislation? (Placebo: Something of no intrinsic remedial value that is used to appease or reassure another.) In the initial email below I shared an outline of a decision making process.

FYI Link to an outline for making and defending an argument provided at the following:

<https://independentvotersofbrowncountyin.com/2020/10/23/critical-thinking-arguments-and-fallacies/>

Respectively,

Tim Clark

Facebook Post **Nashville Town Council Meeting Notes, July 21, 2022, 6:30 p.m.** On the topic of the proposed Human Rights Commission Ordinance, the public was misled by the Town Council. *As advertised, the council did not vote on a final version of the ordinance.* The council voted on the "first reading" of a revised ordinance (Revised July 7, 2022). The public was not notified in advance or at the beginning of the meeting of the opportunity to comment on the revised (new) ordinance. This version of the ordinance was shared at the July 7, 2022 council roundtable discussion (not an official meeting) and was not available on their website prior to that meeting.

o. At the beginning of the council meeting, President Crocker thanked everyone for their input on the ordinance. She stated that the council would be voting on a "reading of the final version of the ordinance but not a vote ." This was not an accurate statement. They did not vote on a "final version." She went on to suggest that those attending just on the issue of the vote may not be interested in remaining.

o. On agenda item 6b, "Consider Ordinance 2022-03 Human Rights Commission Ordinance" (Revised July 7, 2022), President Crocker stated that the original ordinance "was revised quite a bit and they were kind of going back to square one." The town attorney advised that a "first reading" of the revised ordinance was required.

o. Anna Hoffstetter made a motion to suspend the rules for a second reading so that the ordinance could be passed immediately. Her motion was not approved.

o. The council without any discussion on the comments, questions, and concerns provided by the public, voted to approve - the only "No" vote was from David Rudd.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1749284288485538/posts/5374940829253181/>

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Town Council Members,

The following link provides my perspective on the proposed ordinance.

<https://independentvotersofbrowncountyin.com/2022/05/30/nashville-human-rights-commission-2/>

I have not seen any documentation that would support a vote to approve this ordinance or recommending it be placed on the ballot. An outline of a more thorough decision-making process is provided at the following.

<http://browncountyleadernetwork.com/program/community-decision-making-process/>

Although I do not live within town boundaries, the ordinance has a county-wide impact, will be divisive, and will most likely have an effect on tourism. I am not aware of any support from county elected officials.

Respectively,

Tim Clark