



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Human Relations Commission

Thursday, June 3, 2021

6:30 PM Video Conference with No Physical Meeting Location

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sylvester called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Commissioner Kevin Ball, Commissioner Nirvana Nwokidu, Commissioner Julie Solomon, Commissioner Xavier Webb, Vice Chair Fernando Romero, and Chair IdaRose Sylvester

Absent 1 - Commissioner Annette Lin

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes approval for May 6, 2021

M/S - Romero/Webb - Minutes for the May 6, 2021, regular meeting were approved with no modifications.

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Nwokidu, Commissioner Solomon, Commissioner Webb, Vice Chair Romero, and Chair Sylvester

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lin

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Fiscal Year 2021-22 Work Plan Discussion

Assistant to the City Manager Gilmore provided a presentation on the proposed potential projects for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 work plan. After dialogue and discussion, the Commission voted on their top projects for next fiscal year.

Speaking from the floor, expressions of concern, support, and recommendations were received from:

-Michael Kahan

M/S - Solomon/Sylvester - Put forward for City Council consideration three items for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 HRC Work plan:

(1) Conduct Homeless storytelling work, including focusing on all types of homelessness

and possibly culminating in a Civility Roundtable (CRT) with housing-challenged people speaking;
(2) Organize a CRT about the Color of Law focusing on historical issues related to housing and race; and
(3) Organize a CRT or other type of opportunity for facilitated community dialogue among members of diverse groups about Racial Reconciliation and why it matters.

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Ball, Commissioner Nwokidu, Commissioner Solomon, Commissioner Webb, Vice Chair Romero, and Chair Sylvester

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Lin

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1

Police Department Informational Update

Item 6.1 was taken out of agenda order.

Assistant City Manager Ramberg provided opening remarks. Chief Hsiung provided an update.

7. COMMISSION/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Solomon attended the CAHRO event on May 25 which included a discussion on hate crime legislation introduced during the 2020-21 California Legislative session. Of note, Assembly Bill 412 proposed to create a California Commission of Human Rights.

Chair Sylvester and Vice Chair Romero provided an update on the work of the Safe Parking Subcommittee. The Subcommittee has completed interviews with safe parking residents and anticipates that the interviews will be published via a blog post in September.

Assistant to the City Manager Gilmore announced that a CNC meeting will be held on June 15 for the Moffett/Whisman Road neighborhood.

Assistant City Manager Ramberg announced that the City Council will hold a Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget hearing on June 8 and the formal adoption of the budget and the strategic roadmap is scheduled for June 22.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sylvester adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.