



City of Mountain View

Plaza Conference Room
500 Castro Street

Minutes

Human Relations Commission

Thursday, May 4, 2017

6:30 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Malik called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Commissioner Kevin Boer, Commissioner Serge Bonte, Commissioner Shannon Casey, Commissioner Julie Solomon, Vice Chair Evan Ortiz, and Chairperson Aila Malik

Commissioner Boer arrived at 6:50 p.m.

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1

Approval of Minutes.

Motion—M/S Ortiz/Bonte—Minutes for the April 6, 2017 meeting were approved without modification.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Commissioner Boer, Commissioner Bonte, Commissioner Casey, Commissioner Solomon, Vice Chair Ortiz, and Chairperson Malik

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

Ms. Sally Fox

Ms. Marilyn Smith

Mr. Marco Antonia Sedio

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1

Multilingual Community Outreach Program Update.

Multicultural Community Outreach Coordinator Ducos presented an oral staff report and she and Assistant to the City Manager Gilmore responded to Commissioners' questions.

Speaking from the floor with expressions of concern, support, and/or recommendations:

Ms. Michelle Osborne, Black Women Care
Ms. Rubiela Solorzano
Ms. Carmen Quintana
Ms. Joan MacDonald

No action was taken on this item.

6.2 Development of the Human Relations Commission Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2017-18.

Assistant to the City Manager Gilmore presented an oral report and she and Assistant City Manager Ramberg responded to Commissioners questions.

By consensus, the following projects were prioritized in addition to various other ongoing work plan items:

1. Multicultural Festival 2018
2. Assess the need and present options related to Immigrant Rights/Education/Policies
 - a) Invite Consular Representative/Visits in Mountain View to present on services provided/referrals
 - b) Joint Civility Roundtables (e.g. Sanctuary City policies)
 - c) Assistance for families of mixed immigration status
 - d) Sanctuary City policies
 - e) Voting right for residents at school board/municipal level
 - f) Workshops on citizenship
 - g) Municipal ID's
 - h) Invite Immigration & custom enforcement for community talk, education, relationship building
 - i) Anti-registry policies
 - j) Refugee Integration
 - k) Understand what other communities are doing
3. Voting rights for non-citizen residents at the school board/municipal level.

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

Mr. Brian Wo, Director of Partnerships, Bay Area Anti-Trafficking Coalition
Ms. Pamela Estes, Bay Area Anti-Trafficking Coalition

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

Commissioner Ortiz announced that he has been appointed to the Rental Housing Committee and will be resigning his position on the HRC, and reported his attendance at several Measure V workshops held for residents and landlords.

Commissioner Bonte reported his attendance at the May 1 May Day rally, and announced that May 11 is Bike to Work Day.

Commissioner Malik reported her attendance at the Mayors Quarterly meeting with Advisory Body Chairs and at the Challenge Team Breakfast; shared a save the date for the annual Advisory Body Recognition Dinner to be held on September 25 at Michaels at Shoreline from 5:30 -7:30 p.m.; inquired if any Commissioners had experienced an increase in rodents in the Old Mountain View neighborhood due to construction; reported that former Commissioner Neal will be continuing his involvement with the Multicultural Festival planning committee; and reminded the Commission that the Multicultural Festival is scheduled for Saturday, June 10 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. on the City Hall Plaza.

Commissioner Boer reported on his experiences with contacting his Legislators via fax.

Staff announced that the City Council will be approving the Fiscal Years 2017-18 and 2018-19 City Council Major Goals and Projects at the May 16, 2017 City Council meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT - at 9:16 p.m Chair Malik adjourned the meeting to the Human Relations Commission meeting to be held on June 1, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Plaza Conference Room, 500 Castro Street.