



# City of Mountain View

Plaza Conference Room  
500 Castro Street

## Minutes

### Human Relations Commission

*Commissioners Batton, Bonte, Sharma, Solomon, Vice Chair Boer and Chair Malik*

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Thursday, September 7, 2017

6:30 PM

Plaza Conference Room

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Malik called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.  
Commissioners Batton and Sharma were introduced to the Commission.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Commissioner Boer arrived at 7:07 p.m.

**Present** 6 - Commissioner Linda Batton, Vice Chair Kevin Boer, Commissioner Serge Bonte, Commissioner Arti Sharma, Commissioner Julie Solomon, and Chairperson Aila Malik

#### 3. MINUTES APPROVAL

##### 3.1 Minutes Approval.

*Motion - M/S Bonte/Solomon - To approve the Minutes for the June 1, 2017 meeting.*

*Yes: 5 - Commissioner Batton, Commissioner Bonte, Commissioner Sharma, Commissioner Solomon, and Chairperson Malik*

*Absent: 1 - Vice Chair Boer*

#### 4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

*No oral communications from the public were received.*

#### 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### 5.1 Multicultural Festival Debrief

*Commissioner Bonte and Chair Malik provided an oral report, debriefing the Commission on the Multicultural Festival held on June 10, 2017.*

*The Commission discussed incorporating learning opportunities, fundraising for charities, a community service component, and local musicians who performed during the Palo Alto Music Festival into a future event.*

##### 5.2 LGBTQI Needs and Assesses Assessment Update

*Commissioner Solomon provided an oral report on the status of the subcommittee's work plan progress, including document and literature reviews and key informant interviews.*

*A next step is to explore an opportunity to partner with Santa Clara County's Office of LGBTQI Affairs to hold a listening session in Mountain View.*

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **6.1 Community Roundtable (CRT) Topic Discussion**

*The Commission discussed topics to consider for an upcoming CRT event, possibly in November 2017 and April 2018:*

- LGBTQI (e.g., listening session with the County, focus on inclusivity and being a more LGBTQI friendly community, homelessness/unhoused LGBTQI community members)*
- Recent events of civil unrest and/or terror attacks (e.g., Charlottesville, Barcelona)*
- Understanding the limits of free speech*
- Implicit/Unconscious bias*
- Human Trafficking and its implications*
- DACA/Immigrant Rights protection*
- Engaging in respectful dialogue/civil discourse workshop*

### **6.2 Subcommittee Appointments**

*The Commission made the following subcommittee appointments:*

- CRT: Vice Chair Boer and Commissioner Batton*
- LGBTQI: Commissioners Solomon and Sharma*
- Multicultural Festival: Chair Malik and Commissioner Bonte*

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

### **7.1 Staff Announcements, Updates, and Requests**

*Assistant to the City Manager Gilmore made the following announcements:*

- The City Council will receive an update and discuss Freedom Cities and Immigration Violation Enforcement Policies at the September 12, 2017, City Council Meeting.*
- The City Council will discuss and provide direction to staff on a Sanctuary City and Anti-Registry Policy in October 2017.*
- The Advisory Body Celebration of Service event is September 27, 2017, at Michaels at Shoreline.*

*Commissioner Bonte attended the Council Neighborhood Committee meeting on June 15, 2017. Grant funding is available for neighborhood associations.*

*Commissioner Solomon attended the Santa Clara County Human Relations Commission meeting on June 27, 2017. The County HRC is planning Human Rights Day activities for December 10, 2017, and a forum on Adult Incarceration, TBD.*

*Commissioner Solomon announced that the Mountain View Central Neighborhood meeting is September 28.*

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

*At 8:17 p.m., Chair Malik adjourned the meeting to the Human Relations Commission meeting to be held on October 5, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Plaza Conference Room, 500 Castro Street.*