



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Human Relations Commission

Thursday, April 3, 2025

6:30 PM

Plaza Conference Room and Video Conference,
500 Castro St., Mountain View, CA 94041

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Poicon called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Vice Chair Jocelyn Chadwell, Commissioner Elise Lester, Commissioner Joan MacDonald, Chair Erik Poicon, Commissioner Xavier Webb, Commissioner IdaRose Sylvester, and Commissioner Molly Smith

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes Approval for March 6, 2025

Approved - M/S – Sylvester/Chadwell 7-0

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Multicultural Festival Committee

Commissioner Webb provided the update. The event was a success and the Committee is excited to do it again next year.

5.2 Civic Participation Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioner Sylvester provided the update. The Committee has developed questions and is compiling a list of groups to reach out to. The Committee requests the Commission's assistance with identifying groups.

5.3 Check Out A Human Ad Hoc Committee

Principal Management Analyst James announced that the Committee will be holding a kick-off meeting next week with staff.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Fiscal Year 2025-30 Consolidated Plan, Fiscal Year 2025-26 Annual Action Plan, and Community Development Block Grant and General Fund Public Service Funding Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2025-26

Housing Officer Vybiral presented on this item. Housing Director Chen, Senior Housing Officer Talavera, and Human Services Program Assistant Salcido were available for questions.

Commissioner Sylvester and Vice Chair Chadwell recused themselves and left the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

The Commission asked questions regarding the Community Services Agency funding recommendations.

Tom Myers of the Community Services Agency provided public comment on the Community Services Agency funding recommendations.

The Commission voted to recommend the Community Services Agency funding recommendations for approval.

M/S – Webb/Smith, 5-0; Sylvester, Chadwell absent.

Commissioner Sylvester and Vice Chair Chadwell returned to the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

The Commission asked questions regarding the remainder of the funding recommendations and FY 2025-30 Consolidated Plan.

Chair Poicon opened the public hearing at 7:17 p.m. The following members of the public provided comment on the remainder of the funding recommendations and the FY 2025-30 Consolidated Plan:

- Georgia Bacil, Senior Adults Legal Assistance*
- Milton Cadena, Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County*
- Melissa Lukin, Rebuilding Together Peninsula*
- Evelyn Brown, Parents Helping Parents*
- Stephenie Medina, Loaves and Fishes Family Kitchen*
- Jarad Backlund, United Effort*
- Danielle Starov, LifeMoves MV*
- Mary Gloner, Counseling and Support Services for Youth (CASSY)*
- Madeline Musante, Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto*
- Carol Kahn, Project Sentinel*
- Sheri Burns, Silicon Valley Independent Living Center*

Chair Poicon closed the public hearing at 7:47 p.m. The Commission voted to recommend the remainder of the funding recommendations and the FY 2025-30 Consolidated Plan for approval and requested that Council allocate additional funding to the grant program if the federal grant amount was less than anticipated by staff.

M/S – Poicon/Lester, 7-0

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

Commissioner Sylvester will be coordinating an event on Saturday, April 5 at 11:00 a.m. in the downtown area.

Commissioner Lester thanked Commissioner Webb for his work on the Multicultural Festival.

Commissioner Webb thanked the Commissioners for attending the Multicultural Festival and encouraged attendance at next year's event.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm