



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Human Relations Committee

Thursday, March 5, 2026

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 6:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee member McDonald arrived at 6:45 p.m.

Present 5 - Committee Member Elise Lester, Committee Member Molly Smith, Committee Member Xavier Webb, Vice Chair Jocelyn Chadwell, and Chair Erik Poicon

Absent 1 - Committee Member Joan MacDonald

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes Approval for February 5, 2026

Approved - M/S - Lester/Poicon (5-0-1); McDonald absent.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Know Your Rights Ad Hoc Committee

Chair Poicon provided the update. The ad hoc committee has continued to identify partners for designing and promoting the trainings and continues to explore potential trainers.

5.2 Civic Participation Ad Hoc Committee

Committee member Lester provided the update. The ad hoc committee is continuing to collect data.

5.3 Human Library Ad Hoc Committee

Principal Management Analyst James shared that The Human Library has closed operations in the United States and partnership for the event is no longer feasible.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 CDBG and HOME Funding Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2026-27 Annual Action Plan

Alec Vybiral, Housing Officer, presented and answered Committee questions. Affordable Housing Manager Julie Barnard also answered Committee questions.

Committee member MacDonald joined the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Vice Chair Chadwell recused herself from the public hearing, deliberations, and vote on funding recommendations related to the Community Services Agency and left the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Chair Poicon opened the public hearing on the Community Services Agency funding recommendations at 7:00 p.m. There were no public comments.

Chair Poicon closed the public hearing on the Community Services Agency funding recommendations at 7:01 p.m. The Committee approved the Community Services Agency funding recommendations.

Approved - M/S - Lester/MacDonald (5-0-1); Chadwell recused.

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

Chair Poicon opened the public hearing on the remainder of the CDBG and HOME funding recommendations at 7:02 p.m.

The following members of the public spoke:

- Keith Ogden of Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto*
- Georgia Bacil of Senior Adults Legal Assistance*
- Milton Cadena of Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County*

Chair Poicon closed the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. The Committee approved the remainder of the CDBG and HOME funding recommendations.

Approved - M/S - Smith/Chadwell (6-0-0).

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Election of a Committee Chair and Vice Chair

Principal Management Analyst James explained the duties of each role and the nomination and election process.

Chair Poicon opened nominations for Chair and nominated Vice Chair Chadwell. No other nominations were made.

Approved (6-0-0). The Committee elected Vice Chair Chadwell as Chair.

Chair-elect Chadwell opened nominations for Vice Chair and nominated Committee member Lester. No other nominations were made.

Approved (6-0-0). The Committee elected Committee member Lester as Vice Chair.

8. COMMITTEE/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee member Webb announced that the Multicultural Festival will be held on May 2 and that the schedule for Committee members to sign up for hosting duties will be available next month.

Chair-elect Chadwell wished Committee member MacDonald a happy belated birthday.

Committee member Poicon reported attending the Cafecito gathering prior to the City Council meeting during which the Council voted on the City's contract with Flock. Residents were concerned about having systems in place to prevent misuse of information. Chief Canfield was in attendance. Committee member Poicon

inquired about the HRC reaching out to community members about the MVPD Annual Report.

Committee member Smith asked about adding a new item to the work plan since the Human Library event will not proceed.

Principal Management Analyst James announced that the dates for 2026 Council Neighborhood Committee meetings had been selected and would be distributed to the Committee members.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair-elect Chadwell adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.