

City of Mountain View

Minutes

Human Relations Commission

Thursday, January 4, 2024

6:30 PM

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sylvester called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present

 5 - Commissioner Joan MacDonald, Commissioner Erik Poicon, Commissioner Molly Smith, Vice Chair Nirvana Nwokidu, and Chair IdaRose Sylvester

Excused

1 - Commissioner Jocelyn Chadwell

Absent

1 - Commissioner Xavier Webb

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Minutes Approval for November 2, 2023

M/S - Chadell/Poicon - Minutes for the November 2, 2023 regular meeting were approved with no modifications.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Gender Civility Roundtable Ad Hoc Committee

Chair Sylvester provided the update. The event will take place in mid to late April and will consist of a brief panel followed by community conversations about individual experiences of gender. The Ad Hoc Committee is working to identify panelists.

5.2 Storytelling Project Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioner Smith provided the update. The Ad Hoc Committee is developing options for a writing prompt and an art template.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Election of Commission Chair and Vice Chair

Vice Chair Nwokidu was selected to serve as Chair (Yes: 3, Abstain: 2). Chair Sylvester was selected to serve as Vice Chair (Yes: 5).

6.2 Multicultural Engagement Program Informational Update

Community Outreach Coordinator Nancy Ducos provided an informational update on the Multicultural Engagement Program and answered Commission questions. Community member Julie Solomon made public comment.

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

Commissioners and Staff provided updates.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sylvester adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.