

**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, California**

September 24, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Stall-Nash, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Medearis, Commissioner Jones (arrived at 6:11p), Commissioner Serafino (arrived at 6:18p)

Absent: Commissioner Cohen-Bowman

4. REPORTS

A. Report from the Secretary

- i. The Navigation Center is currently occupied and no longer offering tours.
- ii. The Broadway project is slated to open in the future, however, no official date has been set yet.
 - Comments from Commissioners regarding concerns in the Navigation Center – requesting a tour. ACA Knight responds regarding privacy concerns.

B. Report from Council Member Liaison Matulac

- i. Reminded HRC there is a \$1000 allocation for Commission to identify some of their goals.
- ii. Responded to Commissioners about name badges and sub-committees between commissions.

C. Commissioner Reports

- i. Commissioner Davis speaks on First Response Community Forum being held on October 11, 2025.
- ii. Commissioner Stall-Hash speaks on meeting with Joey Carson and that personal items of the homeless are not being kept after a sweep.
 - ACA Knight explains “bag and tag” policy.
- iii. Commissioner Stall-Nash would like accountability for the Navigation Center to ensure all are welcomed and respected.

- iv. Commissioner Serafino speaks on other Human Relations Commissions.

5. COMMUNITY FORUM

Speakers: None

6. SELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Chairperson

Motion: Commissioner Stall-Nash nominates Commissioner Davis for Chairperson, second from Commissioner Serafino

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman*)

Vice-Chairperson

Motion: Commissioner Serafino nominates Commissioner Stall-Nash for Vice-Chairperson, second from Commissioner Davis

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman*)

7. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action:

A. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: Approval of the minutes of July 23, 2025, REGULAR meeting.

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman*)

8. ACTION CALENDAR

A. Commissioner Attendance and Tabling at Upcoming City Events, including Waterfront Weekend and Unity Day

Motion: First Response Community Forum be allowed at the HRC table for Waterfront Weekend. (*Vice Chair Stall-Nash makes motion, Commissioner Jones seconds the motion*)

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman*)

B. Discussion of Ways that the Commission could have Intentional Contacts and Conversations with the Community, to Inform them of the Commission's Purpose and Existence, including Regular Presence at Events or Action that may be taken by Individual Commissioners, and Development of a Questionnaire for Members of the Public

Motion: Document (*questionnaire*) to be printed on one page – front and back – and add the verbiage “We are here for you” and the HRC email address (*Commissioner Stall-Nash makes motion, Commissioner Serafino seconds the motion*)

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman*)

- C. Discussion and Scheduling Special Meetings for the Commission to Meet More Frequently

Action: No action taken.

- D. Discussion of Scheduling Presentation of iHart’s Services, Mission, and Contribution to the City

Motion: Presentation from iHart on their needs with the City on assisting the unhoused.

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman, Commissioner Serafino*)

9. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

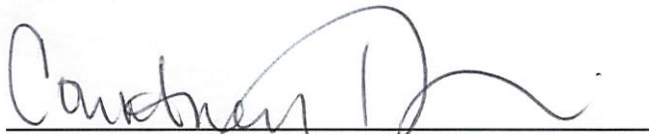
- A. Presentation by First Responders’ Transformation-How to Envision First Responders’ Roles in the Community

Motion: Schedule presentation by First Responders’ Transformation on the HRC Regular Meeting Agenda on January 22, 2026.

Action: Roll call vote – Motion carries unanimously (*absent Commissioner Cohen-Bowman, Commissioner Serafino*)

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.



DEMETRA STALL-NASH, VICE CHAIR
COURTNEY DAVIS, CHAIR-PERSON

ATTEST:


VANESSA GARCIA, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY