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AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
JULY 27, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.
Meeting Minutes

COMMISSIONERS
VACANT, Chair
VACANT, Vice Chair

Nona Cohen-Bowman
Loretta Gaddies
Demetra Stall-Nash
Dela Weeks Morris
Phil Wilson

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Demetra Stall-Nash, Dela Weeks-Morris, Morgan Hannigan, Nona Cohen-Bowman

Commissioners Absent: Loretta Gaddies, Phillip Wilson

Staff Present: Attorney Katelyn Knight, Christina Lee, Manny Angel

City Council Liaison: Council Member Hakeem Brown

4. REPORTS

a. Report from the Secretary

- Council goals adopted July 19, 2022

- Announcement of the passing of commissioner Andra Davis, followed by a moment of silence

b. Report from Commission Council Member Liaison, Council Member Brown

- Council member Brown reported out on homelessness and the Broadway project and that VPOA issued a "vote of no confidence" in Vallejo Police Chief Shawny Williams and the City also issued a statement. Council Member Brown also informed the commission that City Council voted to add a tax measure on the upcoming ballot to collect a 7/8 tax to complete various projects and meet a variety of needs in the city (e.g. potholes)

c. Commissioner reports

Commissioner Demetra Stall-Nash: Would like to schedule a meeting with the City Manager to discuss solutions for homelessness in Vallejo

5. COMMUNITY FORUM

The Community Forum is an opportunity to address the Commission on any matter for which another opportunity to speak is not provided on the agenda, and which is within the jurisdiction of the Commission to resolve. Any interested members of the public desiring to communicate with the Commission as part of the First Community Forum may do so in person by submitting a completed speaker's card to the Secretary or via ZOOM:(<https://ZoomRegular.Cityofvallejo.net>) or Option to join by phone: Dial (669) 900-6833. Enter Meeting ID: 914 0075 0676#. Press * 9 to

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The conduct of the community forum shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes, with each speaker limited to a maximum of three minutes pursuant to Vallejo Municipal Code Section 2.02.300.

No community speakers present

6. CONSENT CALENDAR AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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a. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: Approval of the minutes from the April 26, 2022, regular meeting.

Minutes are approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners

7. PRESENTATION

a. Presentation by Attorney Katelyn Knight regarding a review of the Human Relations Commission's Mandate

Attorney Katelyn Knight presented on what the HRC is charged with... (Ord. No. 1698 N.C.(2d), § 1, 5-27-2014) The primary purpose of the Vallejo human relations commission is to promote the equal treatment of all individuals; to prohibit discrimination in the city of Vallejo based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, genetic information, marital status, sexual or gender orientation and identity, medical condition, political activities, military or veteran status, or status as a victim of domestic violence; to be a community educator, conciliator and mediator to create a climate favorable to good human relations among people in the community and to promote just and positive interactions between and among people and groups in the community.

8. ACTION ITEM(S)

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a. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

Commissioner Stall-Nash appointed as Chair and Commissioner Weeks-Morris appointed as Vice Chair in a unanimous vote by present commissioners

b. Discussion of current workplan and goals

Motion to deputize two commissioners to meet with the VPOA and Police Chief Shawny Williams to hear about police community relations and ask them if they would be willing to come and present to the Commission at a future date.

Commission nominated chair and vice chair to reach out to both parties, which was approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners.

No action taken on amending workplan. Commission advised by Attorney K. Knight that the Commission is not required to operate with a workplan.

Motion to invite Dionne Carter of Vallejo Together to attend October 26 HRC meeting and provide a presentation on the current status of homelessness in Vallejo. Approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners.

Motion to adopt 2020-21 goals for the 2022-23 fiscal year approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners.

c. Discussion of upcoming tabling events and other outreach opportunities

Vote by the commission to allow any commissioners attending National Night Out (August 2) to speak as authorized representatives of the commission approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners.

Vote for the Commission to table at Waterfront Weekend (October 1-2, 2022) approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners.

d. Discussion of updates for redesign of existing brochure

Vote to place physical address on the HRC brochures so people can mail physical letters to the commission approved in a unanimous vote by present commissioners.

HRC Secretary to complete updates to previously designed HRC brochure and provide to commission members before next outreach event.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a. Discussion of Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Commission Chair would like to agendaize disability parks discussion at the next meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commission meeting adjourned 8:55 pm

I, Christina Lee, Executive Secretary, do hereby certify that we have caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Human Relations Commission, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law and that this agenda was posted at City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, CA at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 24, 2022.

Dated: July 24, 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Christina L. Lee". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Christina" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Lee".

Christina Lee, Executive Secretary