



**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (HRC)  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MAY 24, 2023  
RETREAT AGENDA**

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**Mitchell Park Community Center – Matadero Room  
3700 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto  
5PM Meeting**

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**I. ROLL CALL**

**II. BUSINESS**

1. Welcome new commission members Katie Causey, Amy Hsieh, and Mary Kate Stimmler. - Smith - (5 minutes)

**III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS** -Attachment Public Documents

*(Members of the public may address the Commission during the period reserved for Oral Communications on any subject not on the agenda for a period of time up to three minutes per speaker, to be determined by the presiding officer)*

**IV. AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS**

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

2. April 27, 2023

## VI. BUSINESS

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Presentation of the Recommendation of the Adoption of a Draft Ordinance Amending Palo Alto Municipal Code (PAMC) to Add Rental Registry Program (RRP) Ordinance. - *Action* - City Staff - (45 minutes)

Staff Report

Attachment A: Draft Rental Registry Program Ordinance

Attachment B: Renter Protection Policy Work Status Update

Attachment C: Highlights of Other Rental Registries

Attachment D: Draft Example of an Initial Rental Unit Registration Form

BREAK (15 minutes)

4. Review of Past Year – *Discussion* - Smith - (45 minutes)  
Attachment: 2022 Accomplishments and 2022/23 Workplan Overview
5. Overview of Core Responsibilities, Liaisons & Buddies – *Discussion* - Eberle - (30 minutes)  
Attachment: Liaisons & Buddies
6. Public Comment for Agenda Item Number 7 (15 minutes)
7. Development of Workplan and Divvying up of Liaison & Buddy responsibilities for the Year - *Action* – Smith & Eberle - (75 minutes, Break if Needed)

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

Our Mission: To promote the just and fair treatment of all people in Palo Alto, particularly our most vulnerable populations. By promoting awareness of issues and enabling conversations that enhance inclusion, the HRC strives to create a community where civility, respect and responsible actions are the norm.

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  - B. You may be asked to enter an email address and name. We request that you identify yourself by name as this will be visible online and will be used to notify you that it is your turn to speak.
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  - D. When called, please limit your remarks to the time limit allotted.

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