

BUSINESS

Each commissioner spoke about what their reasons were for applying for the HRC.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Friday, August 30, 2013

Baylands Interpretive Center 2775 Embarcadero Road Palo Alto, Ca 9:00 AM

Commissioners Present: Bacchetti, Chen, Ezran, Morin, O'Nan, Savage, Stone

Absent: None

Staff: Minka van der Zwaag, Amy Johnson

Facilitator: Jack Hamilton

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Bacchetti made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2013, May 24, 2013, and July 11, 2013 Meetings, seconded by Commissioner Savage. AYES: 6, Abstained: 1.

AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, and DELETIONS:

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS.

None

ROLL CALL:

Ms. van der Zwaag introduced Ms. Samina Faheem, Commissioner on the Santa Clara County Human Relations Commission. She provided a brief history of the event, which has been held since 9/11/02. They have changed the event over the years to be more meaningful. They want to hold it

in Palo Alto this year because of the interest to have more countywide events in North County.

Supervisor Dave Cortese is a co-sponsor and speaker at the event. She has also invited Supervisor

Joe Simitian to speak as this is his district.

CHAIR O'NAN MADE A MOTION TO CO-SPONSOR THIS YEAR'S EVENT IN PALO ALTO AS DISCUSSED, AYES: UNANIMOUS.

3. HRC PRIORITIES:

a. SERVICE/EFFORTS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2012-2013:

The Commissioners reviewed a list of accomplishments compiled by staff (Exhibit A).

b. PRIORITIES FOR 2013-2014:

 Commission discussion led to a list of priorities (Exhibit B) that will be confirmed at its September 12th meeting.

c. ROLE OF COMMISSION:

 Vice-Chair Bacchetti led a discussion regarding the role of the Commission with a focus on seeking clarity of its charge and scope. After some discussion on the matter, the HRC decided to discuss this matter further with the City Council when it meets for their joint study session on October 7th.

4. ASSIGNMENTS OF LIAISONS AND COUNCIL BUDDIES:

The Commissioners made new Liaison and Council Buddy assignments. (See Exhibit "B" attached).

5. CONSIDERATION OF HSRAP AGENCY SITE VISITS:

Chair O'Nan asked the commissioners to visit HSRAP recipients. Staff will provide a list via email. Commissioner Ezran recommended establishing a lead to coordinate a visit if multiple commissioners want to visit the same agency.

6. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS:

A. Commissioner Reports: None

B. Council Buddy Reports: None

C. Council Liaison Report: None

D. Staff Liaison Report:

Ms. van der Zwaag reported on the following:

There will be a second reading by City Council on September 9, 2013, of the Ordinance regarding prohibiting overnight use of community facilities. It is scheduled on the consent calendar. The ordinance would prohibit unauthorized person and allow only staff, renters, tenants and their guests to have access to the property between 10pm and sunrise. Staff is working with various agencies and City Council agreed to fund up to \$250,000 towards programs to assist the unhoused.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS

- 94 1. Elliot Margolies, "MadeintoAmerica" Project Presentation
- 2. Housing Learning Series Bob Dolci Homeless Services Coordinator for Santa Clara County
- 96 3. Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report
- 97 4. Planning of Joint Study Session with City Council
- 98 5. Confirm New HRC Priorities
- 99 6. Homeless Task Force Update

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AJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM