



**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (HRC)
REGULAR MEETING
February 11, 2021
AGENDA**

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7:00 PM Meeting

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I. ROLL CALL

II. AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

(Members of the public are invited to address the Commission during the period reserved for Oral Communications on any subject not on the agenda. In the interest of time, the Commission requests that speakers limit their remarks to three minutes.)

IV. BUSINESS

1. Presentation on City of Palo Alto's Housing Element update working group – Tim Wong, Senior Planner – *Discussion* (10 minutes)
2. Presentation regarding policy development for renter protection measures – Lauren Bigelow, Partnership for the Bays Future Fellow at City of Palo Alto - *Discussion* (30 minutes)
3. Introduction to issues related to housing insecurity in Palo Alto, presentation and panel discussion - Smith – *Discussion* (60 minutes)
 - a. Elizabeth Guzman, Director of Dispute Resolution Programs - Project Sentinel
 - b. Philip Dah, Senior Director, LifeMoves Opportunity Services Center & Hotel de Zink Shelter
 - c. Leah Cowan, local renter
 - d. Angie Evans, local housing justice advocate
4. De-brief on Human Relations Commission Retreat – Smith – *Action* (10 minutes)

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 14, 2021 Regular HRC Meeting Minutes

VI. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

1. Commissioner Reports
2. Council Liaison Report
3. Staff Liaison Report

VII. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, March 11, 2021

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

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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