



CITY OF  
**PALO  
ALTO**

## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION ACTION MINUTES

Thursday, March 17, 2021

6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING

\*\*\*\*BY VIRTUAL TELECONFERENCE ONLY\*\*\*\*

**Commissioners Present:** de Turreil, Regehr, Savage, Smith, Stinger

**Staff:** Minka van der Zwaag, Mary Constantino

### I. ROLL CALL

### II. AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS

### III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

### IV. STUDY SESSION

**1. Discussion with the Public Art Commission (PAC) regarding upcoming art addressing racial equity and potential areas of collaboration**

PAC and the HRC discussed possible collaboration in regard to addressing the City Council's priority on diversity and inclusion.

**No Action Taken**

### V. BUSINESS

**2. Presentation on the Safe Parking Pilot program and Supporting Safe Parking programs in Palo Alto - Rachael Tanner, Assistant Director of Planning & Development Services, Amber Stine, Director, Move Mountain View**

Ms. Tanner presented an update on the history and current policies and procedures regarding the Safe Parking Pilot Program. Amber Stine of Move Mountain View shared information regarding the opening of the Safe Parking Program and how it operates and its impact on the families participating in the program.

**No Action Taken**

**3. Presentation on hate crimes in Palo Alto by Palo Alto Police Department**

Acting Captain James Reifschneider provided a detail presentation on the hate crimes and hate incidents in the City of Palo Alto.

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**No Action Taken**

**4. Presentation on hate crimes in Santa Clara County by Chief Assistant District Attorney Jay Boyarsky**

Chief Assistant District Attorney Jay Boyarsky and Deputy District Attorney Erin West provided a detailed presentation on hate crimes in the Santa Clara County.

**No Action Taken**

**5. Final discussion and action on letter to Council regarding the response to the current pattern of incidents of hate in Palo Alto**

A final version of the letter was presented to the HRC based on their inputs from previous meetings.

**MOTION:** Chair Smith moved, seconded by Vice Chair Stinger to send the letter to the City Council as in their packet.

**Incorporated in the motion with the consent of the maker and seconder to add to the Motion to also send the letter to City Council, Santa Clara County of Board of Supervisors and local media.**

**MOTION AS AMENDED:** Chair Smith moved, seconded by Vice Chair Stinger to send the letter to the City Council in their packet as well as the to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and local media.

**MOTION AS AMENDED PASSED: 5-0**

**6. FY21/22 workplan items and ad hoc committee assignments**

The Commissioners received their chosen workplan items

**No Action Taken**

**VI. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS**

**1. Commissioner Reports –**

- a. Commission de Turreil reported that she volunteered at the El Camino Real cleanup work with the RV dweller community and was inspired to get to know the community better.
- b. Commissioner Regehr reported that she attended the Lunar New Year Festival and it was very enjoyable and was very intergenerational. She also reported that she it on the City's Zero Waste Committee and wanted to thank the City for providing bags and clean-up around the area of the RV dwellers.

**2. Council Liaison Report - None**

**3. Staff Liaison Report - None**

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**VI. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, April 8, 2021**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

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