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## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION ACTION MINUTES

Thursday, August 12, 2021

6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING

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

**Commissioners Present:** Eberle, Kraus, Regehr, Savage, Smith

**Council Liaison:** Council Member Stone

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

### I. ROLL CALL

### II. AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 10, 2021

**MOTION:** Commissioner Savage moved, seconded by Commissioner Eberle to approve the minutes of June 10, 2021 presented by staff.

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

### IV. BUSINESS

1. Presentation on the prioritization of proposed City-wide renter protections – Clare Campbell, Manager of Long-Range Planning and Lauren Bigelow, Partnership for the Bay's Future Fellow at City of Palo Alto

Separate motions were made for each of the renter protections considered.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kraus moved, seconded by Commissioner Regehr that the HRC recommends moving forward with the rental survey to the City Council. (Draft Renter Projection #1)

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kraus moved, seconded by Eberle to support the expansion relocation policy. Leaving the specifications of income versus property size in terms of units to the more lengthy deliberation of the Palo Alto City Council. (Draft Renter

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Projection #2)

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kraus moved, seconded by Smith to support the eviction reduction program as presented by the PTC focusing on the two areas that are excluded from the State Legislation AB1482 and to include single family homes owned by homeowners and not corporations. (Draft Renter Projection #3)

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**MOTION:** Chair Smith moved, seconded by Regehr that the HRC recommends the extending rent increase limits to housing units not protected by the statewide anti-gouging law (AB1482). (Draft Renter Projection #4)

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

2. Discussion regarding potential purchase of faith-based community properties to build and/or convert existing and new properties for rental and/or purchase of affordable housing units in Palo Alto.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Kraus moved, seconded by Regehr to support Commissioners Regehr and Kraus to articulate and develop a plan for an affordable housing event in the fall timeframe.

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

3. Presentation by Valerie Stinger on the 100 Community Conversations on Race initiative and consideration of the Human Relations Commission's next steps

**MOTION:** Chair Smith moved, seconded by Kraus, that the HRC forward the One Human Conversations Report, along with the general recommendations for further action listed on pg. 15, to the Council for review, comment and direction.

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**The two items below were continued to the September meeting:**

4. Update on process for 2<sup>nd</sup> allocation of Human Services Resource Allocation Process (HSRAP) funding approved by Council for FY22
5. Update and next steps on items related to the FY21/22 workplan

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 pm