

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION ACTION MINUTES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

6:00 PM

Commissioners Present: Eberle, Kraus, Navichoque, Savage, Smith

Staff: Alayna Cruz, Kristen O'Kane

I. ROLL CALL

II. BUSINESS

1) Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Use of Teleconferencing for Human Relations Commission Meeting During Covid-19 State of Emergency.

MOTION: Commissioner Savage moved, seconded by Commissioner Kraus, to Adopt a Resolution authoring the use of teleconferencing under Government Code Section 54953 (e) for the meeting of the Human Relations Commission and its subcommittees due to the Covid-19 declared state of emergency.

MOTION PASSED: 5-0

III. AGENDA CHANGES, REQUESTS, DELETIONS

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2) October 13, 2022

MOTION: Commissioner Savage moved, seconded by Vice Chair Eberle, to approve the minutes of October 13, 2022.

MOTION PASSED: 5-0

V. BUSINESS

3) Presentation by Palo Alto Police Chief Andrew Binder on his goals and visions for the Police Department and update on current issues.

Palo Alto Police Chief Andrew Binder spoke about his goals and visions for the Police

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Department. Commissioners asked questions about Chief Binder's goals and current issues.

NO ACTION TAKEN

4) Recommendation from the ad hoc sub-committee in response to the City Council referral to the Commission on ways to improve implementation of current City renter protections.

Vice Chair Eberle and Commissioner Kraus shared the recommendations from the ad-hoc committee for renter protections to the commission in a PowerPoint presentation. After the presentation, Commissions discussed and asked questions about the recommendations.

MOTION: Chair Smith moved, seconded by Commissioner Kraus, to table this item to the January 12, 2023, Human Relations Commission meeting.

MOTION PASSED: 5-0

5) Discussion of Council Referral to research the lived experience of Asian American and Pacific Islanders.

Commission Navichoque shared a framework within which the commission will approach the research into the lived experience of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Palo Alto. The purpose of the research is to map the contemporary lived experience of AAPI residents, grounded in their stories and reflections. Commissioners will interview willing Palo Alto residents and the HRC will reach out to community partners with whom there may be natural areas of overlap.

NO ACTION TAKEN

VI. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

VII. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING

No items were discussed for the tentative agenda for the next regular meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm