

Human Rights Commission
September 17, 2009
DRAFT Minutes

<u>Commissioners Present</u>	<u>Commissioners Absent</u>
Raj Bhanot	Raji Bains (excused)
Vanessa Dao Burbach	Karen Elaine Davis (excused)
Dr. Calvin Gill	Andrae Gonzalez Macapinlac (excused)
Clarence Madrilejos	
John M. Marienthal	
Vice Chair David Parker	
Chair Robert Sippel	
Edward Walker	

Council Liaison

Yvonne Wong – Councilmember Chu’s Office

Staff

Ernest Azevedo – City Manager’s Office

a) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m.

b) Orders of the Day & Agenda Approval

By motion of Vice Chair Parker, seconded by Chair Sippel, the Orders of the Day and Agenda were unanimously approved (Yes: 8; No: 0).

c) Approval of Minutes

By motion of Vice Chair Parker, seconded by Commissioner Walker, the August 20, 2009 minutes were unanimously approved (Yes: 8; No: 0).

d) Open Forum

- None.

e) Standing Reports

1. **Council Liaison Report** – Council Liaison Yvonne Wong provided an update to Commissioners on upcoming events in District 4 and distributed information for support on outreach from the Commission.
2. **Human Relations Liaison Report** – No Report
3. **San Jose Police Department Liaison Report** – Lt. Thomas Simms provided an update and followed up on questions from the previous month pertaining to the Independent Police Auditor’s 2008 Year End Report and Administrative Response.
4. **Staff Report** – CMO Staff Liaison, Ernest Azevedo, distributed the City Manager’s Weekly Report to the Commissioners. In Addition, the resignations of Commissioner’s Salcido and Young were entered into the record and shared with the Commissioners.

f) Discussion and Action Agenda Items

1. Review Annual Work plan

Staff Liaison Ernest Azevedo distributed the work plan and minutes from the HRC Annual Retreat in April 2009. Commissioner highlighted some of the major priority areas focused upon at the retreat. In addition, the Commissioners discussed opportunities to revise the work plan and core issues in the next year as new

Commissioners are appointed in the vacant positions. It was also discussed the need for on going support, training and updates on Sunshine Ordinances.

2. Human Rights Commission Supplemental Questionnaire

Staff Liaison Ernest Azevedo distributed the Human Rights Commission Supplemental Questionnaire submitted to the Clerk's Office. The Clerk Office distributes the revised Questionnaire during the recruitment and outreach for new Commissioners. The Supplemental Questionnaire will be used and completed by potential candidates during this new period of recruitment.

3. SIREN Presentation

No Presentation; By Motion of Chair Sippel, seconded by Vice Chair Parker, the SIREN Presentation was taken off the agenda (Yes: 8; No: 0).

4. Census 2010

Melissa Erickson, US Census Project Manager, presented to the HRC an update on the US Census 2010. The presentation included information and highlights regarding San José Population Profile, San José Challenges, and Outreach Goals. The HRC Commissioners agreed to connect with the Partnership Network for opportunities of follow up and outreach.

5. BankON San José Recommendation

By motion of Vice Chair Parker and seconded by Commissioner Marienthal, the Bank on San José item was unanimously approved by the BankON San José Recommendation. (Yes: 8; No: 0).

6. Amicus Brief in the Federal Case Perry v. Schwarzenegger, et. Al. (Item Deferred until October 15, 2009)

g) Standing Committee Reports:

- (1) Outreach Committee – No report.
- (2) Public Safety Oversight Committee – No report.
- (3) Youth Commission Liaison – No report.
- (4) Senior Commission – No report

h) Commissioner Updates:

None

i) Community Events:

- Festival of Lights, October 9th, 10th, and 11th.
- Filipino Heritage Month October

j) Future Agenda Items

- Amicus Brief in the Federal Case Perry v. Schwarzenegger, et. al

k) Adjournment

Upon a motion by Chair Sippel, seconded by Commissioner Marienthal, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. in the memory Senator Ted Kennedy. (Yes: 8; No: 0).

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