

Human Rights Commission
November 19, 2009
DRAFT Minutes

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

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 6:32 p.m. A quorum of 9 was present. Those present introduced themselves.

b) Orders of the Day & Agenda Approval

By motion of Commissioner Sippel, seconded by Vice Chair Parker, the Orders of the Day and Agenda were unanimously approved (Yes: 9; No: 0). All present voted to approve the agenda.

c) Approval of Minutes

By motion of Commissioner Burbach, seconded by Vice Chair Parker, the October 15, 2009 minutes were unanimously approved (Yes: 9; No: 0). All present voted to approve the agenda.

d) Open Forum

- None.

e) Standing Reports

1. Council Liaison Report

No Report

2. Human Relations Liaison Report – No Report

3. San Jose Police Department Liaison Report

Lt. Thomas Simms had one item: 1) Reported the Commission on the San José Use of Force Policies and provided an update on the Police Departments Cultural Diversity Trainings. LT. Simms will bring distribute copies of the training videos to the Commission at the January meeting. Currently, there are three videos including Muslim, Sikh and Vietnamese culture.

4. Staff Report

CMO Staff Liaison, Ernest Azevedo had one items: 1) Human Rights Commission update of the Fall recruitment was that 2 new Commissioners will be appointed in December and attend the first meeting in January.

f) Discussion and Action Agenda Items

- 1. Discussion and Action: Setting the date, time, location and goals for the 2010 Annual Retreat (Staff)**
The Human Rights Commission will hold their Annual Retreat tentatively in March 2010. Staff Liaison, Ernest Azevedo, will coordinate the logistics of reserving the location, submitting the draft agenda for the Commission to review and check the availability of last year's facilitator Shawn Spano. An update of the will be provided to the commission in January.

- 2. Discussion and Action: Nomination and Election of 2010 Officers (Commission – All)**
2010 Chair

Chair Sippel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Davis to nominate Commissioner Burbach. Commissioner Macapinlac made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Madrilejos to nominate Commissioner Parker.

2010 Vice Chair

Commissioner Macapinlac made a motion seconded by Marienthal to nominate Commissioner Parker. Chair Sippel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burbach to nominate Commissioner Bains.

2010 Parliamentarian

Chair Sippel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Burbach to nominate Commissioner Marienthal.

Brief Statements were made by the candidates.

Let the record show that Commissioner Burbach was elected as the 2010 Chair five votes to four.

Let the record show that Commissioner Parker was re-elected as the 2010 Vice Chair unanimously, nine votes to none.

A previous vote occurred by the Commission for this position resulting in a tie vote because a Commissioner abstained from voting, and then, Commissioner Bains withdrew her name from consideration. Afterwards, the Commission voted again re-electing Commissioner Parker as the Vice Chair.

Let the record show that Commissioner Marienthal was re-elected as the 2010 Parliamentarian unanimously, nine votes to none.

2010 Human Rights Commission Officers

Chair: Commissioner Vanessa Burbach

Vice Chair: Commissioner David Parker

Parliamentarian: Commissioner John Marienthal

- 3. Report from Staff on the Process of the Parks and Recreation and the Housing and Community Development Advisory Commission review of the City's Policy Exempting Affordable Housing from Payment of Parkland Dedication/Park Impact Fees. (Staff)**

Staff distributed the Housing and Parks Department memo sent to the Housing and Community Development Advisory Commission (HCDAC). The memo outlined staff's review and analysis of existing City's policy exempting Affordable Housing from payment of parkland dedication/park impact fees. The

item will be further discussed at the HCDAC December meeting. Staff Liaison, Ernest Azevedo will inform the Commission of any outcomes determined from that meeting.

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:

Commissioner Marienthal and the Commission recognized the service and work of the outgoing Commissioners Chair Robert Sippel and Karen Davis.

i) Community Events:

None

j) Future Agenda Items

- Standing Committees and Liaisons
- HRC Training
- Retreat

k) Adjournment

Upon a motion by Chair Sippel, seconded by Commissioner Burbach, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm. (Yes: 9; No: 0).

NEXT SCHEDULED HRC MEETING: January 21, 2009 @ 6:30 P.M.

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