



## MINUTES

### HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, May 1, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

Hillside Conference Room

#### Meeting Location

El Cerrito City Hall

10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Commissioner Makalia Aga

Commissioner Patricia Durham

Commissioner Georgina Edwards

Commissioner Sharon Jones

Commissioner Sara Parker

Commissioner Gabriel Quinto

Commissioner Erika Ricon Whitcomb

#### 7:02 p.m. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Aga, Durham, Edwards, Jones, Quinto and Whitcomb – present

Commissioner Parker - absent

#### Approval of Minutes

Approve the April 3, 2013 Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes.

**Action:** Moved, seconded (Quinto/Durham) and carried unanimously to approve minutes.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

**COUNCIL LIAISON AND COMMISSION REPORTS** – Council Liaison Lyman reported there was a presentation for the Special Olympics at the March 19 Council meeting and the Police Department held the annual tip a cop in April to raise money for the Special Olympics. At the Municipal Services Corporation meeting, Build Inc gave a presentation about building for the El Cerrito DelNorte Station. April 2 the Strategic Plan was adopted by Council. An agreement was reached with Build Inc to develop on the site and Council would like to have affordable housing. Bike-to-work day will be May 9. Council gave guidance to staff on budget challenges and staff will eliminate any unfilled vacancies that have remained vacant for the past 5 years.

Staff Liaison Beshears reported Commissioner Parker was due back from a leave of absence in May but was unable to attend the May meeting and will return in June.

#### Old Business

**Budget – Discuss remaining budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013 and determine how it will be spent**

**Action:** Moved, seconded (Whitcomb/Aga) and carried unanimously to place an advertisement in the June edition of the Marketplace for \$250 on the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Martin Luther King Celebration.

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**Action:** Moved, seconded (Durham/Whitcomb) and carried unanimously to purchase a Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) flag for LGBT month in June.

Commissioner Quinto will contact the Moorehouse Project and the Angaza Program coordinators at El Cerrito High School about grant(s) to help promote diversity at the high school and report back to the Commission next month.

Beshears reported that a budget increase from \$3,500 to \$4,000 was requested as recommended by the Commission at the April 3, 2013 meeting.

**New Business**

Martin Luther King Jr. 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – Commission would like to fund raise and will discuss further next month. Commissioner Durham will send an email about the upcoming meeting to plan for the event.

**Items for Next Meeting**

Budget

Martin Luther King Jr. 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration

LGBT Month

**Announcements** – None

**ADJOURNED HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING** at 8:17 p.m. Moved, Seconded (Quinto/Aga)