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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

VIA TELECONFERENCE

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Any person wishing to speak to the Human Relations Commission on any of these matters is invited to participate via teleconference as described above.

The City encourages submission of written comments in advance to the Human Relations Commission via email to aorologas@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us prior to the meeting or by contacting the staff liaison listed above.

7:00 p.m. CONVENE MEETING

1. **ROLL CALL** – Chair Walter Williams Members: Buddy Akacić, Julia Conant, Alice Morris, Mina Wilson
2. **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, COUNCIL LIAISON AND STAFF LIAISON REPORTS**
3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
Comments are typically limited to three minutes per person and are limited to items not on the meeting agenda. Comments can also be heard at the time the item is discussed.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Consider approval of the minutes of the February 3, 2021 meeting.
5. **APPROVAL THE 2021 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**
Consider approval of the regular meeting schedule for the 2021 calendar year (attachment).
6. **OHLONE GREEWAY DISCUSSION**
Informational presentation by Sherry Drobner.
7. **ANTI-ASIAN RACISM DISCUSSION**
Discussion and possible action regarding xenophobia and Anti-Asian racism.

8. BLACK LIVES MATTER FLAG

Discussion and possible action regarding Black Lives Matter Flag at City Hall.

9. LISTENING SESSION SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Discussion and possible action regarding the November/December 2020 community listening forums.

10. LOVING DAY

Discussion and Possible action regarding Loving Day Event in June.

11. FORMER TRADEWAY STORE HISTORY

Discussion and possible action regarding the history of the former Tradeway Furniture Store, now the site of Hana Gardens Senior Apartments.

12. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

13. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Staff Liaison, (510) 215-4302. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28 CFR 35.102-35.104 ADA Title I).

Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the members regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at www.el-cerrito.org/106/Human-Relations-Commission.



MINUTES

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Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

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CONVENE REGULAR MEETING: Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Present: Chair Walter Williams, Lee Kariuki, Buddy Akacić, Julia Conant, Mina Wilson. **Absent:** Alice Morris

1. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, COUNCIL LIAISON AND STAFF LIAISON REPORTS

Interim Staff Liaison Alexandra Orologas provided an introduction of herself and introduced Human Resources Specialist Shannon Bassi who will be Staff Liaison going forward starting in a couple of months. Staff Liaison Orologas provided an update regarding the Black Lives Matter Flag above City Hall. Commissioners advised that the design of that Flag was not the design chosen and that this item should be agendaized for the next meeting. Staff Liaison Orologas announced City Manager Karen Pinkos' participation in the ICMA Leadership Institute on Race, Equity and Inclusion in partnership with the Kettering Foundation. City Manager Pinkos will report to the Commission sometime in the Summer/Fall on these efforts.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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Sherry Drobner – Discussed a Ohlone Greenway Project, walk-and-learn using art and other ways to storytell and highlight important pieces of El Cerrito history. Chair Williams suggested to add this item to the March agenda so that Sherry Drobner could make a formal presentation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved/Second: Wilson/Kariuki. Action: Passed a motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2020 and January 6, 2021 meetings as submitted. Ayes: Williams, Kariuki, Akacić, Conant, Wilson. Passed unanimously.

4. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARADE DEBRIEF

Commissioner Wilson did a detailed presentation about 2021 MLK Day in El Cerrito that included results of a debrief session with planning members. MLK Day had a large turnout (100+ cars) and was a huge success despite

COVID restrictions. Commission Wilson reported that next year, it was suggested to complete the following items earlier: planning, fundraising (in May), and developing a budget. Also, it was mentioned that next year will benefit from stronger volunteer coordination/communication and logistics.

5. LISTENING SESSION SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Listening Session Data Subcommittee members Williams, Wilson and Conant provided an update on work – using transcription services to document listening sessions, then analyze trends and themes for inclusion in a report.

6. FORMER TRADEWAY STORE HISTORY

Moved to March meeting.

7. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- **2021 Calendar**
- **Former Tradeway Store History**
- **Listening Session Subcommittee Report**
- **Loving Day**
- **BLM Flag**
- **Ohlone Greenway Discussion**

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting unanimously adjourned at 8:39 p.m.



2021 Regular Meeting Schedule

City Holiday/Closed
 Regular HRC Meeting

Location: Via Teleconference Of
City Council Chambers

Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

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