



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

July 19, 2012
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
City Hall, Room 280-A
9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Pease, Ginsburg, Meshkaty, Sherman, Linder

Commissioners Absent: Nazarian

Staff Present: Latta, Kahn, Kyriazi

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Tab 1. SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2012:

MOTION by Sherman, SECONDED by Pease to approve as presented (4/0)

AYES: Pease, Ginsburg, Sherman, Linder
NOES: None
ABSENT: Nazarian, Meshkaty
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

Tab 2. COMMISSION REPORTS:

HRC REPRESENTATIVES

Dr. Brian Goldberg from the Beverly Hills Unified School District was not present.

Sgt. Gregg Mader from the Beverly Hills Police Department was not present.

ADMINISTRATOR

Report from Human Services Administrator James R. Latta, L.C.S.W.

1. National Night Out, scheduled for August 7, to be held on a closed off section of Rexford Drive between the BH Library and Fire Department. The Police and Fire Department will be displaying their vehicles; there will be a camp fire in addition to the library providing story-telling to the families.
2. 7th Annual Senior Health Fair at Roxbury Park; sponsored by Cedars Sinai, Monday, September 10, 2012; Theme this year is: *Focus On Yourself*.

Commissioner Meshkaty arrived at 9:34 a.m.

3. Reading Civility Statement at all meetings that gather under the direction of the City would mean changing the ordinance.
4. City Council election date is March 5, 2012. Filing will be November through December. Candidate forums starting from mid-January to late February. Ballots will have the Civility Statement on them as in the last election.
5. Training class in Social Media will be offered in October.
6. Canby Woods offering affordable senior housing. Applications being accepted until August 3. These are new buildings built for low-income housing for seniors.
7. Granicus system, recording of Commission Meetings to be posted on the City's web site, will start in September 2012.

CHAIR

There was no Mayor's Cabinet meeting this month.

Tab 3. EMBRACE CIVILITY: REPORT FROM THE BULLYING PREVENTION AD HOC COMMITTEE:

Administrator Latta gave an update on the Ad Hoc Committee meeting held on July 11. Commission to finalize criteria for the bullying prevention video competition flyer and present to the BHUSD School Board for approval of dissemination to students.

Vice Chair Sherman gave an update on their July 17 introduction of the video competition to the BHUSD requesting dissemination of the flyer; Commission will provide the District with additional information at the August 14 Board meeting.

Tab 4. REVIEW OF FIRST EMBRACE CIVILITY AWARD:

The Commission discussed the strengths and weaknesses of the implementation process to determine if additional changes or steps were needed for improvement.

MOTION by Ginsburg, SECONDED by Pease: Move based on this year's precedent of June presentation, we establish a calendar leading up to the Civility Award, including

promotion, acceptance of nominations, deadline for nominations, determination of the recipient and the actual date of presentation so that we have an annual calendar that will allow us to plan accordingly. (5/0)

AYES: Pease, Ginsburg, Meshkaty, Sherman, Linder
NOES: None
ABSENT: Nazarian
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

Tab 5. VIDEOTAPING OF FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS:

New City requirement that all City Commissions must videotape their meetings and post them on the City's website. The videotaping of the Human Relations Commission will commence at the September meeting.

Robert's Rules of Order was reviewed.

Tab 6. APPLICATION OF BROWN ACT TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION:

Assistant City Attorney Lolly Enriquez reviewed the Brown Act in preparation for the Commission's September transition to the Granicus videotaping system.

Tab 7. OVERVIEW OF CURRENT AND PENDING AGENDA ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION:

City Council will acknowledge retiring Commissioner Meshkaty at their September 20 meeting.

Chair rotation in September.

CALENDAR FOR 2012-13 COMMISSION MEETING DATES:

None.

COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS INCLUDING TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

None.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

The Commission expressed their gratitude to Commissioner Meshkaty as he retires from the Commission.

ADJOURN

Chair Linder adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted

This _____ day of _____, 2012

Linder, Chairperson