



ALAMEDA COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Executive Meeting Agenda

Monday, October 16, 2023
9:30 AM to 10:00 AM

In-Person Attendance:

UC Berkeley
Veteran Services Center – Rm. 102
102 Hearst Memorial Gym
Berkeley, CA 94720

Via Zoom Video Conference Call:

(You may join from a computer, tablet, or smartphone using the following link)

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I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
2. Review and Approval of 9.18.2023 Executive Meeting Minutes
3. Review and Approval of Executive Meeting Agenda

II. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Parshall update
2. Stand Down 2024

III. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Membership
2. Budget – 2024 proposal
3. Outreach
4. VSO
5. NCBVO
6. Veterans Day
7. Nomination Committee



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General Meeting Agenda

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10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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Public participation at Commission meetings is encouraged. We request that individuals limit their comments on any single item on the agenda to two minutes. The chosen spokesperson for a group may speak for four minutes.

10:00 – 10:02

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
2. Review and Approval of 9/18/2023 General Meeting Minutes
3. Review and Approval of General Meeting Agenda

10:02 – 10:03

SALUTE COLORS-IN-PLACE

10:03 – 10:04

RECITE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

10:04 – 10:05

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR POW/MIA VETERANS

10:05 – 10:10

PUBLIC COMMENT

10:10 – 11:10

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Executive
2. Membership – Welcome Commissioner Newman
3. Budget
4. Outreach
5. VSO
6. NCBVO
7. Veterans Day
8. Nomination Committee

Andrea Ford, Agency Director

Faith M. Battles, Assistant Agency Director

AGENDA ITEMS

- 11:10 – 11:25 1. Stand Down 2024 discussion
- 11:25 – 11:45 2. Guest Speaker: Luis Armando Hernandez, Director CAL Veterans Service Center
- 11:45 - 11:55 3. Staff update: status of Proclamation/s, PAL requests, ACVAC banner and tablecloth, commissioner reappointments

11:55 – 12:00 **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

12:00 **ADJOURNMENT**

THE COMMISSIONS' PURPOSE

[Article 3 §§ 1 and 2][CA admin code § 2.92.040 - Duties]

The commission **SHALL ADVISE & ASSIST the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** on matters relating to veterans & their families as may pertain to meeting their basic needs for **veterans' benefits, housing, food, shelter, & employment**:

1. Assist in all **VETERANS' OBSERVANCE DAYS** during the year;
[**SUGGESTED** - ¹ *Armed Forces Day (3rd Saturday **May**)*, ² *Memorial Day (Last Monday **May**)*, ³ *Patriot Day (Annually **September 11**)*,
⁴ *Veterans Day (11th **November** Annually).*]
2. Promote, develop, & identify the needs of the veterans and their families.
3. Submit recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding programs, plans, goals, policy, & procedures dealing with veteran services.
4. Review annually the status of veterans' benefits.
5. Study, investigate & research veterans' matters in Alameda County so that services to veterans can be coordinated and maximized.

The Commission's purpose & objectives to **ADVISE & ASSIST the Board of Supervisors** are accomplished through:

- Attending and speaking at civic/community activities.
- Membership in Veterans' Organizations.
- Individual contacts within the Community.
- Membership in Civic Organizations.
- Membership in Honor and Color Guard Units.
- Personal Commitment.
- Participation in Eastbay Stand-Downs.
- Lobbying (Any attempt by individuals or private interest groups to influence the decisions of a politician or public official on an issue), etc.

[Reference: Outlined in the 5/24/2021, 7/22/2019, 11/26/2018, and 9/26/2016 Annual Veterans Affairs Commission Report to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors]