

# ALAMEDA COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING & Retreat II MINUTES

The mission of the Alameda County Human Relations Commission is to preserve human rights and work to foster mutual respect for all people who live or work in Alameda County.

# Wednesday, 8/25/2021

Meeting: 6:30PM-8:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION	COMMISSION MEMBERS	
IN-PERSON: EDEN AREA MULTI-SERVICE CENTER 24100 AMADOR STREET LUPINE ROOM, 3RD FL. HAYWARD, CA 94544  CALL-IN (LISTENING ONLY) Dial 1-877-402-9753 The prompt will ask you to enter the Participant Code 988632	ROCQUEL JOHNSON CHAIR/LIASON COMMISSION (SOW)	DISTRICT 4
	TEJINDER DHAMI	DISTRICT 1
	ROYL L. ROBERTS	DISTRICT 3
	MANJINDER "MONTY" SANDHU	DISTRICT 2
	LARA MAXEY MEMBER AT LARGE/LIASON COMMISSION (SOW)	DISTRICT 3
	LEE THOMAS SECRETARY	MAYOR'S CONFERENCE
	STEVEN MEDEIROS VICE CHAIR	DISTRICT 1
	VACANT	DISTRICT 1
	JAMES D. WALKER	DISTRICT 4
	SMILE DHIR	DISTRICT 2
	CAMERON MONFARED	DISTRICT 5
	OLGA BORJON TREASURER	DISTRICT 2
	MIGUEL DWIN	DISTRICT 5
	VACANT	DISTRICT 3
	VACANT	DISTRICT 4
	CHARLOTTE A. DANIELSSON-CHANG	DISTRICT 5

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#### **Call to Order:**

# **Attendance Role Call:**

Present: ROCQUEL JOHNSON, ROYL L. ROBERTS, LEE THOMAS, STEVEN MEDEIROS, CAMERON MONFARED, CHARLOTTE A. DANIELSSON-CHANG, LARA MAXEY, OLGA BORJON

Absent: MIGUEL DWIN, TEJINDER DHAMI, SMILE DHIR, JAMES D. WALKER, MANJINDER "MONTY" SANDHU, TEJINDER DHAMI

Commissioner Fahria Khan resigned as of 8/22/21.

# Welcome and introductions:

#### Topic 1:

Review of Alameda County Vision 2026

- Chair Johnson asked the commission how can the HRC support the 10x goals for the
  county and how the goals tie into committee goals. Creating a calendar would be
  successful by listing commission activities and re-staring some of the past commission
  community activities. Chair Johnson thanks Commissioner Dwin on his services feeding
  the community.
- Chair Johnson states the commission is in alignment with supporting ending homelessness and fostering employment for all. HRC could work on volunteering with employment agencies to help the homeless find jobs.
- Chair Johnson, would like if Commissioner Maxey could help provide a list of organizations the HRC can invite to speak on homelessness and employment.
- Commissioner Monfared suggests nailing down plan of what the commission would like to do.
- Commissioner Borjon suggests evaluating our resources to see how the commission can support with the county 10x goals by serving food to the homeless. Noted that the Commission on the Status of Women has discussed a program for incarcerated woman and that the HRC may be able to help.
- Commissioner Thomas suggests reaching out to non-profits on how the HRC can help promote their services in the community. Commissioner Thomas suggests forming a resume template and having the HRC help resident write resumes. Chair Johnson suggested Commissioner Thomas and the HRC could look into organizations doing that work and having the HRC support those organizations.

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- Commissioner Maxey suggests working with other non-profits that can come speak to the commission to suggest areas of help that the HRC can support with the 10x goals.
- Commissioner Medeiros suggests that we followed the lead of organizations who have been doing the work and that the HRC works to connect with organizations doing work in the community.
- Commissioner Roberts suggests re-starting some of the pre-COVID work once it's safe and gave examples of activities the commission was doing such as promoting the incarceration film series
- Commissioner Charlotte mentions how health care for all ties into homeless and health and safety that would have a behavioral health focus. Commissioner Charlotte will work with Commissioner Monfared on integrating a behavioral health focus into HRC goals.
- Commissioner Medeiros suggests narrowing the focus to ensure the commission can be successful in reaching goals. Possibly have the commission focus on the homeless pregnant population.

#### Topic 2:

- 1. First topic
  - a. subtopic
- Approval of minutes (meeting date(s))
  - a. Motion Commissioner \_\_\_\_
  - b. Seconded- \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Unanimous Approval

#### Topic 3:

#### **Agenda Items for next month:**

- Invite Lau Family Community Development to speak in September
- Food for Foster kids & Guaranteed income program (how can the commission help)

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#### **Sub-Committee Reports:**

#### **Elections Committee:**

Commissioner Roberts gave a report on the commission election with the results as follows:

13 votes for commissioner Johnson, (chair)

6 votes commissioner MANJINDER "MONTY" SANDHU (Vice Chair)

7 votes for commissioner Steven Medeiros (Vice Chair)

13 votes for commissioner Lee Thomas (Secretary)

13 votes for commissioner Lara Maxey (At large)

13 votes for commissioner Olga Borjon

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#### Policy/Advocacy & Equity Committee:

Commissioner Walker

Chair Johnson will meet with Commissioner Walker for update.

#### Community Engagement Committee

Vacant-

• Chair Johnson had spoken with Commissioner Khan about a possible future virtual event.

### Social Media Committee

Commissioner Maxey

• Reminded all the commissioners to please tag the commission on social media when attending community events.

## **Housing and Homelessness Committee**

Commissioner Dwin- No update

# **Health and Safety Committee**

Commissioner Monfared

• Commission will set a goal in the fall on how the HRC could do welfare checks in the fall once we have systems and process established.

#### Ad Hoc Budget

Commissioner Walker- No update but the Chair recommends commissioners to submit any request for funds to be submitted 3 months in advance.

#### Commission on the Status of Women

Chair Johnson – committee getting ready to develop a retreat.

## **Staff Report:**

Presentation of the Brown Act will be presented at the August 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **General Information:**

• Public Comment: No Comments

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**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting Adjourned \_\_\_\_PM

NEXT MEETING: September 22, 2021