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**AGENDA  
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**May 2, 2017  
6:30 p.m.**

**MEMBERS**

Justin Jones, Chair, District 3  
Mandip Samra, Vice Chair, District 7  
Jackie Broxton, District 1  
Sahag Yedalian, District 2  
Emmell Beech, District 4  
Nat Nehdar, District 5  
Warren Sata, District 6  
Emma Oshagan, At Large  
Brandon Lamar, Mayor

**STAFF**

Jarvis Emerson, Staff Liaison  
Araceli López Mellem, Recording Secretary

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CITY OF PASADENA  
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, May 2, 2017  
6:30 P.M.  
JACKIE ROBINSON COMMUNITY CENTER  
1020 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE  
PASADENA, CA 91103**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**  
Please limit comments to 3 minutes per speaker.
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, April 4, 2017\***
- 4. OLD BUSINESS**  
**ACTION ITEM**
  - **DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION CO-SPONSORSHIP OF “VICTORY IN VICTORY PARK” EVENT, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017**  
Lt.Tracey Ibarra, Pasadena Police Department
  - **ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST UPDATE**
  - **ANNUAL AWARDS NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE**
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
  - **DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULING OF ANNUAL RETREAT**
  - **COMMISSION VACANCIES**
- 6. REPORTS, COMMENTS, UPDATES**  
**INFORMATION ONLY (unless otherwise noted)**
  - A. Report from Chair**
  - B. Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- **Accountability Committee**
- **Education Committee**
- **Events Committee**
- **Forums Committee**
- **Grants & Funding Committee**
- **HRC Academy Committee**
- **Outreach Committee**
- **Policy Committee**
- **HRC Awards Nominating Committee**

**C. Commissioner Announcements/Comments**

**D. Staff Updates/Reports**

**7. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

\*Attachment



Justin Jones, Chair  
Pasadena Human Relations Commission

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**3.**  
**Minutes of April 4, 2017**

**\*MINUTES \***



**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

**JACKIE ROBINSON COMMUNITY CENTER  
1020 NORTH FAIR OAKS AVENUE  
PASADENA, CA 91103**

**April 4, 2017**

**6:30 P.M.**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Chair Justin Jones, Vice Chair Mandip Samra, Nat Nehdar, Warren Sata, Brandon Lamar

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

Emmell Beech (absent), Jackie Broxton (excused), Emma Oshagan (excused), Sahag Yedalian (absent)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Horace Wormley, Araceli López Mellem

**1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL**

Chair Jones called the regular meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Araceli López Mellem called the roll. A quorum was established for the Commission.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

No public comment.

**3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, January 24, 2017\***

After review, it was moved (Nehdar) and seconded (Samra) to approve the Minutes of April 4, 2017. (Motion carried) (Absent: Beech, Broxton, Oshagan, Yedalian) (Abstain: Jones)

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**ACTION ITEM**

**• ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST**

After discussion, it was moved (Samra) and seconded (Sata) to approve the essay contest flyer as presented, including the new contest deadline April 21, 2017. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Beech, Broxton, Oshagan, Yedalian)

**• DISCUSSION OF PEACE THROUGH MUSIC AND ART CONCERT**

Commissioner Nehdar reported that all the performers have been secured for the concert and he will be finalizing the program in the next couple days. Commissioner Samra has offered to provide the refreshments for the event.

- **DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION PARTICIPATION IN MOSQUES AND PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT EVENT**

Commissioner Nehdar provided event background to those Commissioners who had missed the discussion regarding the event at previous meetings.

Commissioner Nehdar is proposing that the Commission co-sponsor the event.

Chair Jones postponed a vote until the full Commission has had an opportunity to review the event details.

- **ANNUAL AWARDS NOMINATING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

After discussion, it was moved (Nehdar) and seconded (Sata) to approve Lt. Tracey Ibarra as the recipient of the 2017 Model of Unity Award and Coach Marguerite as the recipient of the 2017 Harry Sheldon Human Relations Award. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Beech, Broxton, Oshagan, Yedalian)

After discussion, it was moved (Samra) and seconded (Nehdar) to hold the Annual Awards Ceremony at the Armenian Center. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Beech, Broxton, Oshagan, Yedalian)

After discussion, it was moved (Nehdar) and seconded (Sata) to hold the event on May 25, 2017. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Beech, Broxton, Oshagan, Yedalian)

## **5. REPORTS, COMMENTS, UPDATES**

**INFORMATION ONLY (unless otherwise noted)**

### **E. Report from Chair**

Chair Jones reported that he and Vice Chair Samra attended a Leadership Pasadena training along with Commissioners from other City Commissions. The training was informative and they hope to collaborate with other Commissions in the future.

*Quorum was lost and meeting was paused for 5 minutes.*

Chair Jones requested clarification on recent California Supreme Court decision regarding the City of San Jose that concluded that texts and e-mails involving City business on employees' private devices may be considered records that must be disclosed pursuant to the Public Records Act. As a result, Chair Jones inquired about city email addresses for Commissioners. Staff will request that staff from the City Attorney's office provide clarification at a future meeting.

### **F. Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- **Accountability Committee**  
No report.
- **Education Committee**  
No report.
- **Events Committee**

*Discussion of upcoming events took place under Old Business.*

- **Forums Committee**  
No report.
- **Grants & Funding Committee**  
No report.
- **HRC Academy Committee**  
No report.
- **Outreach Committee**  
No report.
- **Policy Committee**  
Vice Chair Samra reported that she plans to attend a City Council meeting in the near future and promote the Annual Essay Contest.

#### **G. Commissioner Announcements/Comments**

Commissioner Nehdar attended a recent Armenian Genocide related event and encouraged the Commission to attend another upcoming event next Sunday at Church of the Nazarene.

Commissioner Lamar encouraged the Commission to be more present in the community they serve.

#### **H. Staff Updates/Reports**

Horace Wormely, Director of Human Services and Recreation Department, provided an update of various department activities including recent personnel changes. He will be acting as Staff Liaison to the Human Relations Commission for the next couple months.

### **6. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS**

Commissioner Nehdar suggested that the following agenda items for future meetings:

- Peace Through Music and Art
- Annual Retreat
- District 2 vacancy

### **7. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved (Nehdar) and seconded (Lamar) to adjourn the meeting. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Beech, Broxton, Oshagan, Yedalian) The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

  
Araceli López Mellem, Recording Secretary  
Human Services & Recreation Department