



**City of Richmond
Human Rights and
Human Relations Commission**

MEETING AGENDA

Victoria Sawicki, Chair
Reza Yazdi, Vice Chair
Jeff Ritterman, Commissioner

Ellen Seskin, Commissioner
Najari Smith, Commissioner
Jason Woody, Commissioner

Council Member Melvin Willis, Council Liaison

Sr. Assistant City Attorney, TBD

Charice M. Duckworth, Staff Liaison

Monday, October 23, 2023, at 6:30 pm
City Council Chambers,
440 Civic Center Plaza, 1st Floor
Richmond, CA 94804

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. AGENDA REVIEW

At the discretion of the Chair, items on the Agenda may be heard in an order different from that which appears on the Agenda.

D. MEETING PROCEDURES

E. OPEN FORUM #1

F. CORRESPONDENCE

G. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Recording Uploaded in City Website

H. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

The City Council member serving as liaison to the Commission may make a report on City Council actions of interest to the Commission.

I. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

J CHAIR'S REPORT

K. STAFF REPORTS

L. DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Commission may take direct action, make recommendations to the City Council or provide direction to staff.

- L.1 Presentation - Kate Epler, Deputy Director of Community Services – Library, “the Richmond Library and its importance to our Richmond community.” Slide show highlighting the Richmond Library to follow.**

Commissioner Jason Woody

- L.2 Presentation – Maria Weatherborne, “Save the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Trail.”**

Commissioner Najari Smith

- L.3 Resolution – Adopt a resolution in support of preserving the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Bicycle Pedestrian Trail and “Save the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Trail” Petition.**

Commissioner Najari Smith

- L.4 Update – Supporting the libraries and reading in Richmond.**

Commissioner Jason Woody

- L.5 Update – Teaching the Rights of the Child.**

Commissioner Victoria Sawicki

M. REPORTS

None.

N. OPEN FORUM #2 (At approximately 8:30 P.M.)

O. COMMISSION BUSINESS

- A. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS

P. ADJOURNMENT

The next convening of the City of Richmond Human Rights and Human Relations Commission is scheduled for **November 27, 2023**.

Q. MEETING PROCEDURES

Speaker Registration

Anyone who wishes to address the Human Rights and Human Relations Commission (HRHRC) on a topic that is not on the Agenda and is relevant to the Commission's purpose may speak once in either of the two OPEN FORUM sessions, but not both. Please file a Speaker Form with staff PRIOR to the announcement of that section of OPEN FORUM.

Persons wishing to speak on a particular Item on the Agenda must file a Speaker's Form with the staff PRIOR to the Commission's consideration of the Item. Once discussion on the Agenda Item begins, only those persons who have previously submitted Speaker's Forms will be permitted to speak on the Item.

Time Limits

Individual public speakers shall have a maximum of two (2) minutes to address the Commission.

If all Agenda Items are not completed by 9:30 pm, the Items remaining shall be continued to the next Regular Meeting, unless the Commission votes to extend the meeting.

Cell Phones

Please silence all cell phones, pagers, and other electronic devices during the meeting.

Persons with disabilities, who require auxiliary aids or services in using City facilities, services, or programs, or who would like information on the City's compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 may contact (510) 620-6509 for assistance.



RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF PRESERVING THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN TRAIL AND “SAVE THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE TRAIL” PETITION

WHEREAS, as the City of Richmond Human Rights and Human Relations Commission (HRHRC), is dedicated to advancing human rights and social justice in the Richmond community; and

WHEREAS, the HRHRC recognizes the importance of creating safe and sustainable transportation options for all members of our community; and

WHEREAS, the HRHRC acknowledges the initiative by RICH CITY Rides to preserve the Bicycle Pedestrian Trail on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge and their associated petition, “Save the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Trail;” and

WHEREAS, the HRHRC believe that this initiative will contribute to a healthier and more active community, and promote equitable access to transportation; and

WHEREAS, the HRHRC understands the importance of public support for such initiatives; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Human Rights and Human Relations Commission fully supports the initiative by RICH CITY Rides to preserve the Bicycle Pedestrian Trail on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Human Rights and Human Relations Commission urge all relevant authorities to prioritize the preservation and maintenance of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail on Richmond-San Rafael Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Human Rights and Human Relations Commission encourages all community members to support the “Save the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Trail” petition by RICH CITY Rides and join us in advocating for the preservation of sustainable transportation options.

I CERTIFY, that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Human Rights and Human Relations Commission of the City of Richmond, California, at a regular meeting held on October 24, 2023

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:

Victoria Sawicki, Chair
Human Rights and Human Relations Commission