



City of Richmond
Human Rights and
Human Relations Commission
MEETING AGENDA

Jasmine Jones, Chair
Joyce Harris, Vice Chair
Betty Burrus-Wright, PhD, Commissioner
Texanita Bluitt, Commissioner

Courtney Cummings, Commissioner
Carole Johnson, Commissioner
Crystal Johnson, Commissioner
Carolyn Wysinger, Commissioner

Monday, February 23, 2015 at 6:30 pm
City Council Chambers, Community Services Building
1st Floor, Civic Center Plaza, 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

Members of the public attending a Human Rights and Human Relations Commission meeting for the first time are encouraged to read the "Meeting Procedures" information following the Agenda. Anyone who wishes to address the Commission during OPEN FORUM or on a specific item must file a Speaker's Form with staff.

E. OPEN FORUM #1

Members of the public are invited to address the Commission on topics that are not on the Agenda. Please note: In order to accommodate all members of the public who wish to speak, including those who are unable to arrive early in the meeting, the Commission will hold a second OPEN FORUM at approximately 8:30 PM. Please file only one OPEN FORUM Speaker's Form with staff, indicating either "OPEN FORUM #1" or "OPEN FORUM #2".

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 2014 and September 2014

G. 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.

H. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

I. CHAIR'S REPORT

J. STAFF REPORTS

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

K.1 CHANGING THE AUDITORIUM RENTAL POLICY (20 MINUTES)

DISCUSS AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO STRENGTHEN THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AS IT CONCERNS RENTAL OF THE AUDITORIUM

Invited Speaker(s): Councilmember Gayle McLaughlin

Members of the Eritrean community

Chairperson Jones

K.2 SUPPORTING LGBTQ SERVICES IN RICHMOND/ RAISING RICHMOND'S MUNICIPAL EQUALITY INDEX (MEI) SCORE (15 MINUTES)

HEAR AND DISCUSS RECOMMENDATIONS

Invited Speaker(s): Wade Meyer & Roman Flintroy from RCC

Cesar Zepeda, Duane Chapman, Terrance Cheung from LGBT Richmond

K.3 DISRUPTIONS DURING RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS (15 MINUTES)

DISCUSS AND MAKE FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Commissioner Crystal Johnson, Commissioner Wysinger, Commissioner Carole Johnson and Commissioner Cummings

K.4 COMMITTEE REPORT: PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION (10 MINUTES)

HEAR AND DISCUSS REPORT

a. Regional Bay Area HRCs Assembly – Spring 2015

Chairperson Jones and Commissioner Wysinger

K.5 COMMITTEE REPORT: EDUCATION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE (10 MINUTES)

REVIEW AND APPROVE UPDATES TO COMMITTEE'S PLANS

a. Artistically Write and Speak Aloud – February 9, 2015

b. Education Forum – September 12, 2015

Commissioner Burrus-Wright and Vice Chair Harris

K.6 PROPOSAL TO "DOWNSIZE" DOCTORS MEDICAL CENTER (5 MINUTES)

HEAR UPDATE AND DISCUSS FURTHER ACTION

Commissioner Carole Johnson

K. 7 SISTERS IN SOLIDARITY: Saturday, March 7, 2015 (5 MINUTES)

DISCUSS AND PLAN HRHRC'S PARTICIPATION

Commissioner Cummings

L. REPORTS

None.

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

N. COMMISSION BUSINESS

- a. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS
- b. FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMISSION

O. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the City of Richmond Human Rights and Human Relations Commission is scheduled for **Monday, March 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.** in City Council Chamber.

P. 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.