



## City of Sunnyvale

### Notice and Agenda - Final Human Relations Commission

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Thursday, April 9, 2026

7:00 PM

Online and Redwood Conference Room,  
City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA  
94086

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Meeting online link: <https://sunnyvale-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/89619169146>

#### Public Participation

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- Public participation options
- Request language translation
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- Legal notices

#### **7 P.M. HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING**

##### **CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order in the Redwood Conference Room.

##### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

##### **ROLL CALL**

##### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Prior to opening public comment on Oral Communications, the Chair may determine it would be impractical to include remote public comment for the purpose of timeliness of the meeting or conducting an orderly meeting.

Oral Communications is the opportunity for the public to address the Human Relations Commission on items not listed on the agenda and is limited to 15 minutes with a maximum of up to three minutes per speaker (one appearance per speaker). Note the Brown Act does not allow the Commission to take action on an item not listed on the agenda. To address the Commission, refer to the notice at the end of this agenda.

##### **STUDY SESSION**

The public may provide comments regarding the Study Session item(s). To address

the Commission, refer to the notice at the end of this agenda.

- A [26-0432](#) Stories of Sunnyvale: Commissioner 5, Commissioner 6, and Commissioner 7

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed on the consent calendar will be acted upon by one motion unless discussion is requested by a Commissioner or the public. To address the Commission, refer to the notice at the end of this agenda.

- 1.A [26-0433](#) Approve the Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2026

**Recommendation:** Approve the Human Relations Commission Minutes of March 12, 2026 as submitted.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

To speak on a public hearing/general business item, refer to notice at the end of this agenda. Each speaker is limited to three minutes.

- 2 [26-0434](#) Update on City Council's Action at the April 7, 2026 Meeting Regarding Adopting a Resolution Dissolving the Human Relations Commission and Transition.

### **PRESENTATION**

- B [26-0435](#) Recognition of Human Relations Commissioners for their Service

### **NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

-Commissioner Comments

-Staff Comments

### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **Public Participation Options**

#### **In person public comment:**

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#### **Online participation:**

Members of the public may also attend online. However, the City cannot guarantee uninterrupted access to online technology. Technical difficulties may occur from time to time. Unless required by the Ralph M. Brown Act, the meeting will continue even if technical difficulties prevent online participation.

The Chair may determine it would be impractical to include remote public comment during Oral Communications.

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Meeting call-in telephone number: 833-548-0276 | Meeting ID: 896 1916 9146  
(\*9 to request to speak | \*6 to unmute/mute)

Watch the Human Relations Commission meeting at  
<http://youtube.com/SunnyvaleMeetings>

**Written public comment:**

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City Clerk, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

**Public review of items:**

You can view reports to commission on the City's website at [sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://sunnyvale.ca.gov). You can also review reports in person at the City Hall reception desk, 456 W. Olive Avenue, during normal business hours. Any other documents distributed to members of the Human Relations Commission regarding any open session item on this agenda are available in the Redwood Conference Room on the evening of the Commission Meeting. Otherwise, contact Celena Ruiz at 408-730-7904 or [cruiz@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:cruiz@sunnyvale.ca.gov) for questions.

**Planning a presentation for a Human Relations Commission meeting?**

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**Planning to provide materials to the Commission?**

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*Seleccione su idioma y haga clic en "Attend"*

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### **Accessibility/Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice**

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### **LEGAL NOTICES**

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## Agenda Item

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**26-0432**

**Agenda Date: 4/9/2026**

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Stories of Sunnyvale: Commissioner 5, Commissioner 6, and Commissioner 7



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## Agenda Item

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**26-0433**

**Agenda Date: 4/9/2026**

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**SUBJECT**

Approve the Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2026

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the Human Relations Commission Minutes of March 12, 2026 as submitted.



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Human Relations Commission

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Thursday, March 12, 2026

7:00 PM

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CA 94086

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Zapata called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Chair Zapata led the salute to the United States flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

- Present:** 6 - Chair Maria Paulina Zapata  
Vice Chair Nenuca Syquia  
Commissioner Claudia Camacho  
Commissioner Joshua Charnota  
Commissioner Aaron Terry  
Commissioner Ariana Ziolkowski
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Pedro Valencia Landa

Vice Chair Syquia arrived at 7:13 p.m.  
Commissioner Landa's absence is excused.  
Council Liasion Mehlinger (present)

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

#### **STUDY SESSION**

- A**      [26-0369](#)      Stories of Sunnyvale: Commissioner 1, Commissioner 2,  
Commissioner 3 and Commissioner 4 Storytelling

Commissioners Terry, Camacho, Landa, and Chair Zapata shared personal stories as part of the "Stories of Sunnyvale" initiative.

The presentations highlighted themes such as identity, community experiences,

professional background, lived experiences and resilience.

Commissioners engaged in discussion and reflection following the presentations.

The Commission expressed appreciation for the opportunity to learn more about each Commissioner's background and perspectives.

Public Comment opened at 7:54 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:54 p.m.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Public Comment opened at 7:55 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 7:55 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Chair Syquia moved and Commissioner Terry seconded the motion to approve agenda item 1.A as submitted.

The motion carried with the following vote:

**Yes:** 6 - Chair Zapata  
Vice Chair Syquia  
Commissioner Camacho  
Commissioner Charnota  
Commissioner Terry  
Commissioner Ziolkowski

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Valencia Landa

**1.A**     [26-0368](#)     Approve the Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2025

Approve the Human Relations Commission Minutes of December 11, 2025 as submitted.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS**

**2**        [26-0371](#)     LGBTQ+ Awareness Allyship SOGIE (Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression) 101 Training Discussion

EAI (Equity, Access, & Inclusion) Manager Fernanda Perdomo Arciniegas provided the staff report and shared that a SOGIE 101 allyship training will be held on March 17 at the Sunnyvale Library in partnership with LGBTQ Wellness. The training will introduce LGBTQ+ identities and focus on building allyship skills, including topics such as gender, intersectionality, pronoun usage, and inclusive practices. Staff also reviewed outreach efforts and encouraged Commissioners to share information to increase community participation.

Chair Zapata asked about accessibility, including translation services and the availability of childcare support.

Public Comment opened at 8:03 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:03 p.m.

**3**      [26-0372](#)      Transgender Day of Visibility Flag Raising Ceremony Event Discussion

EAI Manager Perdomo Arciniegas provided the staff report and noted that the upcoming Transgender Flag Raising Ceremony on Tuesday, March 31, 8:15–9:00 a.m. at City Hall will celebrate transgender, nonbinary, and gender-expansive individuals. The event will feature remarks from local leaders and provide an opportunity for the community to show support and solidarity.

Public Comment opened at 8:07 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:07 p.m.

**4**      [26-0388](#)      Community Needs Assessment Update

EAI Manager Perdomo Arciniegas provided the staff report and shared updates on the Community Needs Assessment, including outreach and engagement efforts, community engagement strategies, the project timeline and next steps, and opportunities for Commission input.

Deputy City Manager Connie Verceles clarified that the assessment involves broad community engagement, with 400 surveys being collected across all districts to ensure statistical validity.

Commissioner's comments and questions:

-Concern that religious groups may not be included

- Questions about the number of community forums, varying dates and times, and forum capacity
- Question about age requirements for participation
- Suggestion to consider inviting the unhoused community

**Staff Responses:**

- Staff are meeting with various groups to gather perspectives. Religious communities will be invited to forums open to all, rather than as focused groups.
- Informational interviews have been conducted with community leaders. Two community forums will be held, and public comment will also be allowed at Council hearings. Dates and times will vary; childcare and snacks will be provided. Locations are centrally located and accessible by public transit.
- There is no strict age requirement; elementary-age youth are expected to attend with a parent or guardian.
- Staff have coordinated with the unhoused community team, which is conducting a survey. Relevant data will be used in the assessment to avoid overburdening participants.

Public Comment opened at 8:40 p.m.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed at 8:41 p.m.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS**

**-Commissioner Comments**

Vice Chair Syquia shared that their neighborhood association is planning a small block party in August or September, where residents will share a neighborhood resource map, including information on fruit trees, generators, tools, and other additional resources.

Chair Zapata expressed gratitude to fellow Commissioners and thanked the Commission for sharing their stories.

**-Staff Comments**

Deputy City Manager Verceles encouraged Vice Chair Syquia to share their neighborhood block party plan and best practices at the quarterly Neighborhood Associations meeting.

EAI Manager Perdomo Arciniegas shared updates on the City's grant programs, board and commission applications, and upcoming community events, including the

Earth Day Festival and 4th of July Celebration.

Council Liaison Mehlinger noted that on February 26, the City Council held a Council Priority Project workshop to review projects moving forward. These items will be further reviewed during the Budget Workshop in May as part of staff work.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Zapata adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.



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**26-0434**

**Agenda Date: 4/9/2026**

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Update on City Council's Action at the April 7, 2026 Meeting Regarding Adopting a Resolution Dissolving the Human Relations Commission and Transition.



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## Agenda Item

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**26-0435**

**Agenda Date: 4/9/2026**

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Recognition of Human Relations Commissioners for their Service