



# City of Sunnyvale

## Meeting Minutes

### Human Relations Commission

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Thursday, July 13, 2023

7:00 PM

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

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Equity, Access, and Inclusion Manager (EAI) Fernanda Perdomo-Arciniegas called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Bay Conference Room.

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

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas led the salute to the United States flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

- Present:** 4 - Commissioner Claudia Camacho  
Commissioner José León  
Commissioner Nenuca Syquia  
Commissioner Maria Paulina Zapata
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Venkata Siva Ramisetty

Commissioner Ramisetty's absence is excused.  
Council Liaison Klein (present).

#### **PRESENTATION**

**A**      [23-0729](#)      Brown Act Review

Brow act review highlighted the act's provisions, such as requiring public access to meetings, providing agendas in advance, and enabling citizens to participate through public comment periods. The review concludes that the Brown Act plays a crucial role in promoting democratic principles and citizen engagement in the decision-making process.

**B**      [23-0737](#)      Code of Ethics and Conduct For Elected and Appointed  
Officials

The Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials outlines the standards and principles that govern the behavior and responsibilities of individuals

serving in public office or appointed positions. It serves as a guide to maintain integrity, transparency, and ethical conduct while carrying out their duties in the best interest of the public.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Agnes Veith addressed the appointed commissioners and thanked them for being on the Human Relations Commission. Expressed excitement for what this board and commission will accomplish in the future.

Fernanda Perdomo-Arciniegas called recess at 7:23 pm. Commissioners returned to the Bay Conference room at 7:39 pm. All Commissioners present with the exception of Commissioner Ramisetty.

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

- 1      [23-0730](#)      Select a Chair and Vice Chair for the Human Relations Commission

Fernanda Perdomo- Arciniegas informed the Commission that the selection of chair and vice chair would be conducted after the presentations.

### **PRESENTATION**

- C      [23-0734](#)      Human Relations Overview

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas conducted an in-depth examination and reviewed why the human relations commission was started.

- D      [23-0731](#)      Review Work Plan For The Human Relations Commission

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas reviewed the work plan for the Human Relations Commission and conducted in-depth examination and discussion of the future work plan.

- E      [23-0735](#)      Intergroup Dialogue Training

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas conducted a training for the Commissioners to instill baseline knowledge of Intergroup dialogue. The learning was aimed to help recognize and address biases, stereotypes, and prejudices while building mutual respect and collaboration between various communities.

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

[23-0730](#) Select a Chair and Vice Chair for the Human Relations Commission

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas opened for Nominations for Chair. Commissioner León nominated Commissioner Syquia. Commissioner Syquia did not accept nomination due to not knowing the responsibilities of the Chair.

Opened public hearing 9:44 pm

Closed public hearing 9:44 pm

Commissioner Syquia moved and Commissioner Zapata seconded the motion to move the selection of chair to the next meeting.

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Camacho  
Commissioner León  
Commissioner Syquia  
Commissioner Zapata

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Ramisetty

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas opened for Nominations for Vice Chair. There were no nominations presented at this time.

Opened public hearing 9:58 pm

Closed public hearing 9:58 pm

Commissioner Syquia moved and Commissioner León seconded the motion to move the selection of chair to the next meeting.

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner Camacho  
Commissioner León  
Commissioner Syquia  
Commissioner Zapata

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Ramisetty

**STANDING ITEMS: CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL STUDY ISSUES**

None.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS & COMMENTS**

None.

**-Commissioner Comments**

None.

**-Staff Comments**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

EAI Manager Perdomo-Arciniegas adjourned the meeting at 10:10 pm