



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
Wednesday, March 2, 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

This Meeting Place is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call 7:09 p.m. – Commissioners: Aga, Edwards, Glueck, Hunter Parisi, Pardue-Okimoto. Absent: Hughes.

- 1. Community Discussion:** Commissioners held a community discussion regarding the recent crime in El Cerrito that is being investigated as a hate crime. Captain Paul Keith of the El Cerrito Police Department provided an update on the investigation. Members of the community shared thoughts, expressed El Cerrito’s commitment to tolerance, inclusion, and diversity, and provided ideas for the Human Relations Commission on a campaign to Stand Against Hate. Members of the affected family were in attendance, and Commissioners, community members, and City officials expressed support to them.

Commissioners discussed several ideas that were generated by the discussion and formed a subcommittee of Chair Edwards and Commissioner Hunter Parisi to bring back a plan to implement a community campaign against hate. Commissioners also discussed the connection to Loving Day, and how that event can be part of the HRC’s mission to promote our diverse culture.

2. Minutes

Moved by Hunter Parisi, seconded by Aga: Approval of minutes from the February 11, 2016 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Staff/Council Liaison report:** Mayor Lyman reported on the City Council meeting of March 1 and discussed the presentation by staff regarding the siting of the proposed El Cerrito Library and the process going forward toward a ballot measure in November 2016.

- 4. Loving Day:** Moved by Glueck, seconded by Pardue-Okimoto, to set the date for Loving Day event on June 12. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5. Adjournment: 9:22 p.m.**

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