



MINUTES

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, January 5, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

Hillside Conference Room

Meeting Location

El Cerrito City Hall

10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Commissioner Elizabeth Block
Commissioner Patricia Durham

Commissioner Erika Whitcomb
Commissioner Antonio Wong

7:02 p.m. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Block, Durham, Whitcomb and Wong all present
Council Liaison Ann Cheng was present

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – No speakers

COUNCIL LIAISON AND COMMISSION REPORTS – Council Liaison Cheng announced the newly appointed Commissioner Whitcomb to the Human Relations Commission. Council Liaison Cheng reported on the following: green waste fee changes; the new Recycling Center design; and the Redevelopment Agency declared the Moser block as a redevelopment site and is currently looking for developers for multiuse site who can work with the City.

Old Business – No Old Business

New Business

Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration - Commissioner Durham reported that Nancy Skinner will be the Mistress of Ceremonies. The Bay Area Black Cowboys Association, student union groups, Bay Area Steppers and others will participate in the parade. Performances will begin at the Department of Motor Vehicles. The parade will be led by the El Cerrito High School (ECHS) band and cheerleaders. The theme of the celebration is “Embracing the Dream: From Chaos to Community”. Cephus Johnson, the uncle of the late Oscar Grant, will also be present at the Celebration. Students from ECHS will be parade monitors. Some vendors that will be present are: First 5, Making Waves and El Cerrito Recreation.

Commissioner Durham will follow up with Staff Liaison Beshears regarding the meeting date and time at St. Peter Episcopal Methodist Church to finalize plans for Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration and Beshears will notify all Commissioners.

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Staff Liaison Beshears will purchase water, finalize the flyer and make copies. Commissioner Block will contact Peet's Coffee to see if they will donate coffee for the event and follow up with Commissioner Durham.

Items for Next Meeting

Sundar Shadi – Human Relations Commission is co-sponsoring and more information will be available at the next meeting.

Iron Jawed Angels – Human Relations Commission will host the reception. Beshears will email information received from Joann Steck-Bayat of the American Association of American Women.

Announcements – No announcements

ADJOURNED HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING at 8:05 p.m.

The next meeting is on March 2, 2011 at 7:00 pm.