



MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
September 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
Hillside Conference Room
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

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7:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING – Chair Hunter Parisi called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

1. **ROLL CALL** – Present Chair Margo Hunter-Parisi; Members: Makalia Aga, Lee Kariuki, Alice Morris, Mina Wilson. Absent: Gabriel Guenette.
2. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**
None.
3. **MINUTES**
Approval of minutes from the August 14, 2019 meeting

Moved/Second: Hunter Parisi moved, Wilson seconded. **Action:** Passed a motion to approve the minutes from the August 14, 2019 meeting. **Ayes:** All present. **Noes:** None.
4. **STAFF, COUNCIL LIAISON AND COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**
Staff Liaison Kristen Cunningham provided updates on recent City actions.
5. **MLK 2020**
Commissioners discussed the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration activities scheduled for January 2020. The MLK Planning Committee has been hard at work establishing a program agenda for the 31st annual celebration. Commissioners voted to approve the establishment of an MLK subcommittee that includes Commissioners Kariuki and Wilson.

Moved/Second: Wilson moved, Morris seconded. **Action:** Passed a motion to approve the establishment of the MLK subcommittee to include Commissioners Kariuki and Wilson. **Ayes:** All present. **Noes:** None.
6. **NOT IN OUR TOWN**
Staff Liaison Kristen Cunningham briefed the Commission on details around the “United Against Hate” week sponsored by Not In Our Town scheduled for November 17 – 22, 2019. Commissioners are in full support of co-sponsoring an event with a neighboring city/group during the week.

Moved/Second: Wilson moved, Morris seconded. **Action:** Passed a motion to support the NOIT “United Against Hate Week”. **Ayes:** All present. **Noes:** None.
7. **COMMUNITY USE DAYS AT RIALTO THEATRE**
Commissioners discussed establishing a process for requests from external groups for HRC-sponsored events at the Rialto Theatre. A continued discussion with possible action will take place at the next HRC meeting.
8. **STUDENT COMMISSIONER**
Commissioners discussed the Student Commissioner program and will work to adjust the current promotional materials in order to encourage student participation.
9. **ADJOURNMENT**