

# City of San José Human Services Commission

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		1	D10	Thomas Estrada	D6	Rita Holiday	D2	Jessica Dickinson Goodman
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CMO Staff: Sabrina Parra-García Council Liaison: Johanna Rodriguez

## **Draft Special Meeting Minutes**

prepared by: Sabrina Parra-García Thursday, March 29, 2018

## I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

The Human Services Commission of the City of San José convened for their regular meeting at 6:53 p.m. in Tower Conference Room 1753 at City Hall.

Present Commissioners: Dickinson Goodman, Ly, Barocio, Holiday, Estrada, Lopez, Maciel.

Absent Commissioners: Elieh, Dotson, Carvallison, Chaudry, Knight.

#### II. Consent Calendar

A. Approve the minutes for February 15, 2018.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Dickinson Goodman, seconded by Commissioner Holiday and carried unanimously (Commissioners Estrada and Barocio abstained), the Commission approved the minutes.

#### **III.** Public Record – None

### IV. Open Forum

- Blair Beekman, resident, expressed his concerns over the Big Belly trashcan project in downtown.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Dickinson Goodman, seconded by Commissioner Barocio and carried unanimously, the Commissioners approved moving item VII. A. to immediately follow Reports and Information.

### V. Reports and Information Only

- Chair Estrada no report
- Johanna Rodriguez, Council liaison staffer, was not present
- Sabrina Parra-Garcia, Executive Analyst, City Manager's Office, provided an oral presentation on:
  - The San Jose Museum of Arts and Textiles' April 22<sup>nd</sup> Exhibition *Guns: Loaded Conversations*
  - o City of San Jose's Rapid Responder trainings on April 4and 16th, 5-7 p.m.

#### VII. New Business

A. San Jose Police Department Presentation; Heather Randol, San Jose Police Department

Ms. Randol presented on the department's hiring practices, it's cultural diversity, and it's Fair and Impartial Policing and Critical Incidence training programs.

#### **Public Comment:**

- Blair Beekman, resident, shared that he thought the San Jose Police Department's SJPD Rising branding could be antagonistic to the Black Lives Matter movement, and that he encouraged the department to look at people in the Masters of Social Work program at San Jose State as potential hires.

Action: The Commission, with a motion from Commissioner Dickinson Goodman and seconded by Commissioner Holiday, voted to defer their decision on sending a letter recommending the police change their protocols on who handles the property taken from people who are homeless. The motion passed unanimously.

#### VI. Old Business

A. Women's Bill of Rights Policy, Sabrina Parra-Garcia, Office of the City Manager

#### **Public Comment:**

- Sita Stukes, from the Cities for CEDAW Taskforce, informed the Commission that the County's CEDAW efforts focused on housing, legal services, and violence, including evaluating the Sheriff's department.
- Blair Beekman, resident, expressed his thankfulness that this issue was moving forward and that it was happening in such a transparent manner.

Action: The Commission unanimously voted, with a motion by Commissioner Holiday and seconded by Commissioner Dickinson Goodman, to send a letter to the City Council recommending the City fund 3 FTE positions to oversee the Women's Bill of Rights work. The Commission also voted to send an op-ed or letter to the editor of the Mercury News relaying the same information, but is waiting for staff feedback regarding whether this can happen without Council approval.

**B.** Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) invitation; Commissioner Dickinson Goodman

#### **Public Comment:**

Blair Beekman, resident, expressed his support that the Commission invite the San Jose police as well as the media when they go to hand in the invitation, his support for changing the ordinance language to include people who are non-binary, and to approach the Berkeley Police Review Commission to hear about a program they are championing to help police deal with people with disabilities.

Action: The Commission voted unanimously, with a motion by Commissioner Dickinson Goodman and seconded by Commissioner Barocio, to approve hand-delivering an invitation letter to the new South County ICE spokesperson who replaced James Schwab.

#### VII. New Business

B. Work Plan Progress reports; Vice Chair Lopez

Commissioner Maciel provided an update for the October "Reel Abilities" film festival. She also reported that she has been approached by the District 1 Council Office to help with the preparations for Disability Awareness Week. The public library has offered to provide space for viewings and/or panel discussions. She presented the idea to the Mayor, who expressed support and encouraged her to ask Council offices for donations.

The Commissioners also discussed the need to request that Council change the Women's Bill of Rights ordinance to include those with non-binary gender identity and the need for an ad hoc committee to select the departments that should be the first to receive the gender equity analysis.

Action: The Commission voted unanimously, with a motion by Commissioner Maciel and seconded by Commissioner Dickinson Goodman, to create a "Reel Abilities" ad hoc committee to work on the film festival in October.

Action: The Commission voted unanimously, with a motion by Dickinson Goodman and seconded by Commissioner Barocio, to create an ad hoc committee to work on making a recommendation to the City Council to include non-binary people in the Women's Bill of Rights ordinance.

Action: The Commission voted unanimously, with a motion by Commissioner Dickinson Goodman and seconded by Commissioner Barocio, to create and ad hoc committee to work on the Women's Bill of Rights, specifically on which departments should undergo the gender equity analysis.

#### VIII. Next Meeting

**A.** Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. in City Hall Tower Conference Room 1753.

#### IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.