

## Agenda

CITY COUNCIL-APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMISSIONS



**Date:** Wednesday, July 17, 2024  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** City Hall, Bldg. #C, Conference Room B-112  
276 4th Avenue, Chula Vista

### Veterans Advisory Commission Regular Meeting

**Public Comments:** Public comments may be submitted to the Veterans Advisory Commission in the following ways:

- **In-Person comments during the meeting.** Join us for the Veterans Advisory Commission meeting at the time and location specified on this agenda to make your comments. Each person will be allotted three (3) minutes to address the Commission.
- **Submit an eComment.** Visit [www.chulavistaca.gov/boardmeetings](http://www.chulavistaca.gov/boardmeetings), locate this meeting and click on the comment bubble icon. Click on the item you wish to comment on, and then click on "Leave Comment."
- **Mail or email comments.** Submit comments via email to [VAC@chulavistaca.gov](mailto:VAC@chulavistaca.gov) or by mail to Veterans Advisory Commission, 276 Fourth Ave, Chula Vista, CA 91910.

The commenting period will close at noon on the day of the meeting. All comments will be made available to the Commission and the public.

**Accessibility:** *Individuals with disabilities are invited to request modifications or accommodations in order to access and/or participate in a Veterans Advisory Commission meeting by commission staff at [VAC@chulavistaca.gov](mailto:VAC@chulavistaca.gov) (California Relay Service is available for the hearing impaired by dialing 711) at least forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER****2. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Akana, Castro, Pine, Stewart, Williams

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*Persons may address the Commission on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction that is not listed as an item on the agenda. State law generally prohibits the Commission from discussing or taking action on any issue not included on the agenda, but, if appropriate, the Commission may schedule the topic for future discussion or refer the matter to staff. If you wish to speak on any item, please fill out a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the Secretary prior to the meeting or submit an electronic comment per the instructions on page one of this agenda.*

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

*The following item(s) will be presentations given to the Commission. Action on these item(s) is typically limited to the Commission receiving the presentation and providing direction or feedback to staff, as appropriate. If you wish to speak on any item, please fill out a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the Secretary prior to the meeting or submit an electronic comment per the instructions on page one of this agenda.*

**5. ACTION ITEMS**

*The Item(s) listed in this section of the agenda will be considered individually by the Commission and are expected to elicit discussion and deliberation. If you wish to speak on any item, please fill out a "Request to Speak" form and submit it to the Secretary prior to the meeting or submit an electronic comment per the instructions on page one of this agenda.*

**5.1 APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2023**

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**Recommended Action:**

Commission to approve meeting minutes.

**5.2 APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2023**

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**Recommended Action:**

Commission to approve meeting minutes.

**5.3 APPROVAL OF EXCUSED ABSENCE OF COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 17, 2024**

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**Recommended Action:**

Commission to approve the excused absence form of commissioner Williams.

**5.4 ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2024-2025**

**Recommended Action:**

Commission to elect the next commission chair.

**Recommended Action:**

Commission to elect the next commission vice chair.

**5.5 RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBCOMMITTEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2024-2025**

**Recommended Action:**

Commission to approve the re-establishment of the subcommittee for Veteran of the Year Program.

**Recommended Action:**

Commission to approve the re-establishment of the subcommittee for Veteran Wall.

**5.6 UPDATE ON MILITARY REINTEGRATION PROGRAM**

Commissioner Stewart to present an update on the program.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**6. STAFF COMMENTS**

**7. CHAIR'S COMMENTS**

**8. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

to the regular meeting on August 21, 2024.

*Materials provided to the Veterans Advisory Commission related to any open-session item on this agenda are available for public review, please contact the Fire Department at [VAC@chulavistaca.gov](mailto:VAC@chulavistaca.gov).*



## **SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION**

### **Meeting Minutes**

October 2, 2023, 6:00 p.m.  
276 Fourth Ave, Building C, B111/112  
Chula Vista, CA 91910

Present: Commissioner Akana, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Martinez, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Pine, Fire Captain Josh Sanders

Absent: None.

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#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

*A special meeting of the Veterans Advisory Commission of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 6:02 p.m. at 276 Fourth Ave, Building C, B111/112*

#### **2. ROLL CALL**

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

#### **4. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **4.1 Selection of Veteran of the Year**

Commission selected Richard Pulido as Veteran of the Year.

**Moved by** Commissioner Williams

**Seconded by** Commissioner Pine

Yes (5): Commissioner Akana, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Martinez, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Pine

**RESULT: Carried (5 to 0)**

**5. STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

**6. CHAIR COMMENTS**

None.

**7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.*

*Minutes prepared by: Alyssa Moreno, Secretary*

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Alyssa Moreno, Secretary



## REGULAR MEETING OF THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION

### Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2023, 6:00 p.m.  
276 Fourth Ave, Building C, B111/112  
Chula Vista, CA 91910

Present: Commissioner Akana, Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Martinez, Fire Captain Josh Sanders

Absent: Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Pine

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

*A regular meeting of the Veterans Advisory Commission of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 6:05 p.m. at 276 Fourth Ave, Building C, B111/112*

#### 2. ROLL CALL

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

#### 4. ACTION ITEMS

##### 4.1 Approval of Commissioner Pine Absence from October 18, 2023, Regular Meeting

Commission excused the absence.

**Moved by** Commissioner Martinez

**Seconded by** Commissioner Williams

Yes (3): Commissioner Akana, Commissioner Martinez, Commissioner Williams

**RESULT: Carried (3 to 0)**

**4.2 Discussion and Selection of Vice Chair for FY23-24**

Commission appointed Commissioner Williams as Vice Chair for FY23-24.

**Moved by** Commissioner Martinez

**Seconded by** Commissioner Akana

Yes (3): Commissioner Akana, Commissioner Martinez, Commissioner Williams

**RESULT: Carried (3 to 0)**

**RESULT: Carried (3 to 0)**

**4.3 Discussion of Veteran of the Year**

Commission discussed Veteran of the Year program.

**5. STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

**6. CHAIR COMMENTS**

None.

**7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

Commissioner Martinez informed the commission of a Veteran parade event on November 3, 2023, encouraging everyone to attend.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.*

*Minutes prepared by: Alyssa Moreno, Secretary*

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Alyssa Moreno, Secretary

## REQUEST FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE

City of Chula Vista Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Name: Tanya Williams Date of Absence: July 17, 2024  
 Board/Commission/Committee: Veterans Advisory

Chula Vista Municipal Code section 2.25.110 (C) allows board/commission/committee members, by a majority vote, to excuse a fellow board, commission, or committee member's absence from a meeting for any of the reasons listed below. **A member who is absent from three consecutive, regular meetings will be deemed to have vacated his or her membership, unless the member's absence is excused by a majority vote of the other members.** An absence is only recorded as "excused" upon receipt of a member's request and majority vote of the board/commission/committee to excuse the absence. Accordingly, if you have been absent from a regular meeting, please complete and submit this form to the chair or secretary.

Please indicate the reason for the absence:

- ☐ 1. Illness of the member; family member of the member, or personal friend of the member;  
☐ 2. Business commitment of the member that interferes with the attendance of the member at a meeting;  
☒ 3. Previously scheduled vacation of the member, notice of which was provided to the respective board, commission, or committee in advance of the meeting;  
☐ 4. Attendance of the member at a funeral, religious service or ceremony, wedding, or other similarly significant event;  
☐ 5. Unexpected, emergency situation that prohibits the member's attendance; or  
☐ 6. Other reason for which the member has given notice to the chair or secretary of his or her unavailability 15 days in advance, as long as the unavailability is not expected to last for longer than 30 days.

OR

- ☐ The absence was not for any of the above-listed reasons. I understand that the absence will be recorded as unexcused.

I certify the reason for the absence indicated above is true and correct.

Member's Signature: Tanya Williams

Date: 7-2-2024

If completed by secretary or staff to board/commission/committee:

Completed on member's behalf by: \_\_\_\_\_ per member's ☐ Verbal ☐ Written request  
 on: \_\_\_\_\_ (date)