



REGULAR MEETING OF THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, Bldg. #C, Conference Room B-112
276 4th Avenue, Chula Vista

Present: Francia Castro, Elmer Jimenez, Ricardo Nava, Lynne Pine,
Anthony Stewart, Tanya Williams

Absent: Nimpa Akana

Also Present: Karina Aguilar, Eric Martinez

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Veterans Advisory Commission of the City of Chula Vista was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Secretary Aguilar called the roll.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- online comment.

- citizen complained about not being able to see the commission's agenda and meeting dates.

4. PRESENTATIONS

- No presentations.

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1 INTRODUCTON OF NEW COMMISSIONERS NAVA AND JIMENEZ

- New commissioners Nava and Jimenez introduced themselves to the rest of the commissioners.

5.2 APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 17,2024

Moved by Lynne Pine

Seconded by Tanya Williams

Commission to approve meeting minutes.

Result: Carried Unanimously

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

Moved by Lynne Pine

Seconded by Tanya Williams

Commission to approve excused absence form of commissioner Castro.

Result: Carried Unanimously

5.4 APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 21,2024

Moved by Tanya Williams

Seconded by Francia Castro

Commission to approve meeting minutes.

Result: Carried Unanimously

5.5 APPROVAL OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2024 - 2025

Moved by Tanya Williams

Seconded by Lynne Pine

Commission to approve as amended the proposed goals and objectives.

Result: Carried Unanimously

5.6 UPDATE ON MILITARY REINTEGRATION PROGRAM

- Commissioner Stewart explained the program to the new commissioners.
- Mentioned there will be no presentation given to Council this September or October due to City Council's agenda process.

5.7 APPROVAL OF SUPPORT FOR THE NAMING OF THE FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS PARK

- Construction to be concluded 18 months from June 2024, located in Cota Vera at Otay Ranch.
- Commissioner Pine would like to invite the group behind the park to come to one of our meetings and give a presentation.

Moved by Tanya Williams
Seconded by Lynne Pine

Commission to approve the support of the park.

Result: Carried Unanimously

OTHER BUSINESS

6. STAFF COMMENTS

- Secretary mentioned that staff will take care of updating the commission's website to include the new members.
- Jimenez is from District 1.
- Nava is from District 1.
- Secretary mentioned a possible presentation for October.

7. CHAIR'S COMMENTS

- Commissioner highlighted goals and objectives for fiscal year 2024 -2025.
- Commissioner would like to have a monthly check on where commission is at.
- He would like to motion for a new subcommittee to be in charge of social media and revisit the already established ones to see if somebody wants to join.
- Subcommittees:
 - > VOTY - Williams, Stewart, Jimenez
 - > Outreach communications - Castro, Pine

> Military reintegration - Nava, Stewart

8. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- Commissioner Pine suggested to have the VOTY announcement before the City Council meeting on November 20th.
- Commissioner Castro asked about the city's communications team's procedure and agenda process.
- Liaison Martinez suggested to have an agenda with scheduled posts for the communications team to post on social media.
- Commissioner Stewart mentioned upcoming food distributions for the rest of the year.
- Commissioner Pine asked about including a logo for the commission's posts on social media so people can recognize our posts.
- Commissioner Castro suggested to utilize the office of the mayor to see if the commission can get on his weekly email letters.
- Commissioner Jimenez asked about quorums and meetings.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Karina Aguilar, Secretary

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