



AGENDA REGULAR MEETING OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

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January 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.
El Cerrito City Hall
Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

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7:00 p.m. CONVENE MEETING

- 1. ROLL CALL** – Members: Chair Champagne Brown, Vice Chair Diane Boodrookas, Commissioner Mina Wilson, Commissioner Renee LeVesque, Student Commissioner Juno Rabinovici, Council Liaison Carolyn Wysinger
- 2. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, COUNCIL LIAISON, AND STAFF LIAISON REPORTS**
- 3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
Comments are typically limited to three (3) minutes per person and are limited to items not on the meeting agenda. Comments can also be heard at the time the item is discussed.
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Consider approval of the minutes of the December 10, 2025 meeting.
- 5. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARADE AND EVENT**
Discussion and possible action regarding a 2026 MLK Parade and Event.
- 6. UNITED AGAINST HATE WEEK EVENT PLANNING**
Discussion and possible action regarding planning an event to honor United Against Hate Week.
- 7. LOVING DAY EVENT**
Discussion and possible action regarding planning a Loving Day Event.
- 8. HRC WORKPLAN**
Discussion and possible action regarding updating the HRC's newly adopted work plan to align with the City-wide updates on regulation changes for advisory bodies.
- 9. ADJOURNMENT**

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Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

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1. **ROLL CALL – CONVENE REGULAR MEETING:** 7:00 p.m. Chair Champagne Brown, Vice Chair Diane Boodrookas, Commissioner Mina Wilson, Commissioner Renee LeVesque, **Absent:** Council Liaison Carolyn Wysinger and Student Commissioner not present.

2. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, COUNCIL LIAISON, AND STAFF LIAISON REPORTS

There were no Council Liaison Reports.

Staff Liaison Shannon Bassi reported provided various updates and reminders, including 1) the AV system will undergo upcoming repairs, which will impact Council Chambers room availability for a temporary period of time. 2) Provided reminders regarding the procedures and rules around running an advisory body meeting, including the Chair who has the authority to run the meeting accordingly, and has the authority to move on to another agenda topic or finish an agenda topic as they see appropriate. If someone is uncomfortable with a certain topic being discussed that is on the agenda, the commissioner should excuse themselves from the meeting temporarily. A commissioner cannot stop an agenda item from being discussed or that the agenda item be skipped or moved on from. Lastly, Commissioners should put their full attention forth to the meeting and discussion at hand, and be free from any and all distractions. For example, using a cell phone, headphones, or other devices which can distract participants from the meeting, except of course if the purpose of using those items is related to business being conducted by the commissioner(s) in the moment.

Commissioner Wilson announced an upcoming event at St. Peter CME Church, which is the church's 73rd Anniversary Event on December 14, 2025 at 3 pm. There will be church service and food served afterwards.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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No members of the public spoke.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved/Seconded: Commissioner Wilson/Vice Chair Boodrookas **Action:** Move to approve the October 8, 2025 HRC meeting minutes. **Ayes:** Chair Brown, Vice Chair Boodrookas, Commissioner LeVesque, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Boodrookas **Noes:** None. **Abstained:** None. **Absent:** None. **Motion carries.**

5. HRC 2026 REGULAR MEETING CALENDAR

Moved/Seconded: Commissioner Wilson/Vice Chair Boodrookas **Action:** Move to approve the 2026 Regular HRC Meeting Calendar as proposed in the agenda packet. **Ayes:** Chair Brown, Vice

Chair Boodrookas, Commissioner LeVesque, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Boodrookas
Noes: None. **Abstained:** None. **Absent:** None. **Motion carries.**

6. **DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PARADE AND EVENT PLANNING**

No action was taken.

7. **UNITED AGAINST HATE WEEK EVENT PLANNING**

No action was taken.

8. **LOVING DAY EVENT**

Moved/Seconded: Vice Chair Boodrookas/Commissioner LeVesque **Action:** Move to hold a movie screening event to celebrate Loving Day on or around June 12, 2025 at the El Cerrito High School Theater; and establish an ad hoc committee consisting of Chair Brown and Commissioner LeVesque to work on planning this event. **Ayes:** Chair Brown, Vice Chair Boodrookas, Commissioner LeVesque, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Boodrookas **Noes:** None. **Abstained:** None. **Absent:** None. **Motion carries.**

9. **HRC WORKPLAN**

Moved/Seconded: Chair Brown/Vice Chair Diane Boodrookas **Action:** Establish a new ad hoc committee to plan and organize the HRC Workplan, including the History of the HRC. **Ayes:** Chair Brown, Vice Chair Boodrookas, Commissioner LeVesque, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Boodrookas **Noes:** None. **Abstained:** None. **Absent:** None. **Motion carries.**

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting unanimously adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Champagne Brown, HRC Chair

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Human Relations Commission meeting of December 10, 2025, as approved by the Human Relations Commission.

Shannon Bassi, Staff Liaison