MINUTES

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, March 6, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

Hillside Conference Room

Meeting Location
El Cerrito City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

Commissioner Makalia Aga
Commissioner Patricia Durham
Commissioner Georgina Edwards
Commissioner Sara Parker
Commissioner Gabriel Quinto
Commissioner Erika Ricon Whitcomb

7:03 p.m **ROLL CALL**
Commissioners Aga, Durham, Edwards, Qunito and Whitcomb - present

Approval of Minutes
Approve the February 6, 2013 Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes.

Action: Moved, seconded (Edwards/Aga) and carried unanimously to approve minutes.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

COUNCIL LIAISON AND COMMISSION REPORTS – Councilmember Lyman reported the following: At the February 19, 2013 Council Meeting, Zach Malek, BART representative, did a presentation on STAR self-scoring sustainability and livability in the community. Officer Hubbs received officer of the year award for 2012. The draft Climate Plan to reduce carbon emissions was released for comment and closes on Friday, March 15, 2013. At the Council Meeting on March 5, 2013 there were discussions about a Pop-up Park Garden to serve Asian immigrants to grow raised gardens in a temporary installation at Farmount Park. The Trust Republic will acquire the land in the hills.

Old Business
Asian Pacific Islander Month – Commissioner Quinto attended the Day of Remembrance 2013 on February 17, 2013 to commemorate the World War II imprisonment of the Japanese American community. The League of Women Voters may need a group to co-sponsor a film 'Rising Waters'. Commissioner Durham reported the film 'Nanni' will be shown later in the month of March 2013 and will forward a flyer to all the Commissioners. The film is about Justin Tippen, a graduate of El Cerrito High School who dated an older woman and the trials they faced. The film is a fundraiser for the El Cerrito High Museum.

New Business
Bullying and Teen Suicides – Jen Rader, Director of James Moore Project presented information about the Project and the services provided for students at El Cerrito High School such as mental health assistance, peer conflict mediation, and an afterschool program. Funding

is received from grants to help with the costs of the free services to provide and build safer environments.

Items for Next Meeting
Cohost Street Play
Martin Luther King Jr. 25th Anniversary Celebration
Budget

Announcements – No announcements

ADJOURNED HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING at 8:03 p.m. Moved, Seconded (Edwards/Quinto)