MINUTES

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, November 13, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.
Creekside Conference Room

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

Commissioner Makalia Aga
Commissioner Patricia Durham
Commissioner Georgina Edwards
Commissioner Sharon Jones
Commissioner Sara Parker
Commissioner Gabriel Quinto

7:01 p.m  ROLL CALL
Commissioners Aga, Durham, Edwards, Jones and Quinto – present
Commissioner Parker - absent

Approval of Minutes
Approve the August 7, 2013 Human Relations Commission Meeting Minutes.

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

COUNCIL LIAISON AND COMMISSION REPORTS – Councilmember Lyman reported there was a three (3) hour presentation at the City Council meeting regarding the San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan. This is a joint effort with the City of Richmond. The future of San Pablo Avenue will include more pedestrian and bicycle use as well as increases to the density and heights. City staff will move forward with the Urban Greening Plan to deal with the public trails and open spaces. A study session was held on Boards, Commissions and Committees to reevaluate quorum rules for meetings. The Economic Development Board will change to the Economic Development Committee. The City is suing the State Department of Finance regarding Redevelopment. On December 3, the mayor-ship transfers and the Police Department Explorers will be recognized.

Old Business - None

New Business

Vice Chair – Elect a vice chair for the remaining of the 2013 year due to a recent vacancy on the commission. Commissioner Edwards was elected by Commissioner Quinto to complete the 2013 year.

Martin Luther King (MLK) Jr. 25th Anniversary Celebration – Commissioners will meet for two (2) hours on December 4.
Stand Your Ground – Discuss and determine what the Human Relations Commission can do in the community to avoid a similar tragedy that Florida faced in the Trayvon Martin case. Tabled to February 2014 and Commission would like to have Chief Moir speak.

Human Relations Commission Brochure – Review current brochure and determine if any updates are necessary. Tabled to January 2014.

Items for Next Meeting
Martin Luther King Jr. 25th Anniversary Celebration

Announcements – None

ADJOURNED HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING at 8:07 p.m.