



**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE**  
**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**  
**Wednesday, January 10, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**  
**El Cerrito City Hall**  
**Creekside Conference Room**  
10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito

**This Meeting Place is Wheelchair Accessible**

**7:09 pm: Roll Call – Commissioners Present: Aga, Edwards, Guenette, Hunter Parisi, Laird, Wilson. Commissioners Absent: Karuiki.**

**1. Minutes**

Approval of minutes from the November 1, 2017 and December 6, 2017 meetings. Moved by Edwards, seconded by Hunter Parisi. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Oral Communications from the Public:** Cordell Hindler, Richmond, emphasized the need for young voices on the Commission and expressed excitement to see the recruitment of a Student HRC Commissioner from El Cerrito High School taking place.

**3. Staff, Council Liaison and Commission Announcements and Reports:** Assistant City Manager Karen Pinkos reported on recent staff actions which included the hiring of a new Affordable Housing Analyst to oversee the City's Housing initiatives. City Council reorganized December 19, 2017 and councilmember and former HRC Commissioner, Gabriel Quinto was selected as Mayor for 2018. Mr. Quinto is the first Filipino, and first openly-gay Mayor to serve the City. Councilmember Paul Fadelli was appointed Council Liaison for HRC, replacing Councilmember Greg Lyman.

**4. MLK Celebration:** Commissioners discussed the final details for the MLK Celebration to take place on January 14 and 15, 2018. Final tasks were divided among Commissioners.

**5. HRC Proclamations:** A calendar of proclamations that the Commission would sponsor for 2018 was discussed. Commissioner Wilson moved to accept the calendar, seconded by Hunter Parisi. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Day of Listening:** Commissioners discussed the Day of Listening scheduled to take place at the International Transformative Leadership Conference at Columbia University in November.

**7. Student Commissioner:** Discussion took place about recruiting a student commissioner from El Cerrito High School to serve on the Human Relations Commission. The information is on the City website. Commissioner Hunter Parisi will help publicize the recruitment at El Cerrito High School.

**8. Adjournment: 8:55pm**

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