

CITY OF HAWTHORNE  
VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMISSION

DATE January 9, 2023

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.3, THE AGENDA WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL BULLETIN BOARD AT 4455 W 126<sup>TH</sup> STREET ON THURSDAY, January 5, 2023 AT 4:00PM.

Chairperson Orlemann called the Veteran's Commission meeting to order at 4:10pm.

**Roll Call: all five members present**

**Present:** Chairperson Kyle Orlemann, Commissioners Carol Steinhauer, Stephen Nellman, Faye Johnson, Daniel Lucero

**Staff Present:** Erika Lampkin, HR Director & Sgt. Jose Saldana

**Flag** – Commissioner Daniel Lucero led the flag salute.

- 1) Oral Communication:** Daniel Lucero introduced himself to the commissioner giving a brief bio of himself, including that he was transitioning out of the army, that his specialty is military police, and that he is a Board member of WestPoint Society of Los Angeles.

Commissioner Nellman stated that he knows him through ROTC program through the school district.

Chairperson Orlemann and Commissioners Johnson and Steinhauer introduced themselves.

- 2) Written Communications:** Erika passed out an email to all commissioners received from the commission mailbox. Commissioner Johnson stated that she would respond to the inquiry.

- 3) Approval of Minutes** – Meeting of December 5, 2022

Moved to approve by Commissioner Steinhauer; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Johnson

Yes Votes – Commissioners Johnson, Nellman, Orlemann, Steinhauer

- 4) Commissioners' Discussion/Action Items**

A. *Briefing on Cordary* – no updates.

B. *Veterans Service Provider Affair* – we should delay this to the next meeting.

C. *Facebook/Website*

- Per Commissioner Johnson, there is no agendas or minutes on the website. Erika stated that during Covid there were no meetings and meetings did not resume until a couple of months ago when City Council ordered all meetings to return in-person. Erika also stated that she would work on getting the information posted.

D. *Events/Outreach*

- Commissioner Orlemann stated that she will be out of town for the April 8<sup>th</sup> event and asked for assistance from the commission for the event in the Sunroom.
- It was asked how do we outreach to the Veterans of Hawthorne. How do we find the Veterans? Can we put out a calendar? Erika informed commissioners if you create a calendar of events for each month it can be posted on the website.

#### E. Updates

- PACT - Chairperson Orlemann went to the Townhall (distribution of paperwork)
- WLA VA Masterplan – there are 3 buildings that opening
- Agenda Setup – it was suggested that the discussion is held until after the city council meeting just in case direction is given. It was also suggested that events/outreach/advertising be a standing item on the agenda.
- Review Charter & Mission – it was suggested that the agenda be structured in a way that is in alignment with the mission and objectives.

#### **Commissioner Reports/ Recommendations**

Chairperson Orlemann adjourned the meeting at 5:26pm. The next meeting will be held on February 9, 2023 at 4:00pm.