



**City of Milpitas
Veterans Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 5, 2018
5:30 p.m.**

**Milpitas City Hall Committee Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
Milpitas, CA 95035**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Ebright called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. **FLAG SALUTE:** Chair Ebright led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **ROLL CALL**
Present: William (Bill) Devereux, Arthur Ebright, Ed Ackerman, Denny Weisgerber, Liliana Ramos, and Ricardo Martinez

Excused Absence: None

Late Attendance: None

Unexcused Absence: Edward Smythe

City Staff Present: Staff Liaison Dale Flunoy and Recording Secretary Pam Caronongan

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Rich Tran
- IV. **SEATING OF ALTERNATES:** Ricardo Martinez
- V. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA: December 5, 2018**
M/S: Weisgerber / Ackerman AYES: All
- VI. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 3, 2018**
M/S: Weisgerber / Ackerman AYES: All
- VII. **PUBLIC FORUM**
None.
- VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE**
Staff Liaison Flunoy announced that Commissioner John Schmidt had officially resigned from the Commission. Due to the vacancy, staff would be recommending for Alternate Member Ricardo Martinez to be moved up as a regular voting member of the Commission.

Mayor Tran expressed his apologies to the Commission for missing the Veterans Day Ceremony as well as the Veterans Recognition Luncheon in November 2018.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Veterans Service Office

Commissioner Weisgerber shared with the Commission his conversation with Marion Moses, County Veterans Service Officer for the Santa Clara County Office of Veterans Services, about the County having a satellite office at the Barbara Lee Senior Center. Consensus was made that having this proposed satellite office would bring veterans-related services more accessible to Milpitas-based veterans.

Motion: for the Commission to move the proposal of having the Santa Clara County Office of Veterans Services establish a satellite office at the Barbara Lee Senior Center for City Council consideration and approval.

M/S: Weisgerber / Ramos

AYES: All

X. OLD BUSINESS

1. Veterans Recognition Lunch 2018

Chair Ebright reported that there were approximately 110 to 130 people who attended the event.

Consensus was made for the Commission to write letters of acknowledgement for Marion Moses as the event's keynote speaker and Rosalinda Lively for providing the music. Chair Ebright volunteered to write letters of acknowledgement.

Commissioner Weisgerber shared that the Commission received many compliments regarding the event, most especially regarding the selection of Marion Moses for this year's keynote speaker.

Staff Liaison Flunoy replied that the event expenses were approximately \$3,500 which was similar to the prior event's total expenses. Staff would still need to confirm the actual totals once the final receipts have been received, reviewed, and tallied.

The Commission had a consensus to host the event again in 2019.

XI. LIAISON REPORTS

a. City Council Report

None

b. Staff Report

None

XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Adopt-A-Vet

XIII. NEXT MEETING

- Regular Meeting – Wednesday, February 6, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Ebright adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Draft Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Pam Caronongan, Deputy City Clerk