



CITY OF MILPITAS Veterans Commission

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

5:30 PM

Wednesday, October 7, 2020
Via Teleconference (Virtual Meeting)

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1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Seating of Alternates
5. Approval of Agenda: October 7, 2020
6. Approval of Minutes: August 5, 2020

7. Public Forum

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must state their name (address is optional) for the record and limit their remarks to three minutes or less. For items not listed on the agenda, no response is required of City staff or Commissioners. However, Commissioners may ask staff to place the item on a future meeting agenda.

8. Announcements/Correspondence

9. Business Items

a. Election of Officers – City Staff

Background: As per Veterans Commission By-Laws nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair were held the first meeting of the calendar year, but due the resignation of Ed Ackerman, the Commission needs to have another election to replace him.

Recommendation: Open nominations for Chair and Vice Chair to finish out the term as determined by the Veterans Commission By-Laws.

b. Veteran Representation on Milpitas HOPE Suicide Prevention Task Force

Background: Assistant Director McLane will provide a brief update on the Milpitas HOPE Suicide Prevention Task Force and request the Commission's assistance recruiting a Task Force member who is well connected in the Veteran's Community.

Recommendation: Receive from Assistant Director McLane regarding HOPE Suicide Prevention Task Force.

c. Virtual Veterans Day 2020 Overview

Background: In the Veterans Commission workplan, the Veterans Commission is assigned to supply input to City staff on the Annual Veterans Day Ceremony. This year due to the Covid-19, staff is preparing this years' event virtually, similar to Memorial Day Ceremony 2020. At the August meeting it was decided to keep this item on the agenda for further discussion.

Recommendation: Get final feedback from the Commission to finalize the program.

d. Veteran of the Year 2020

Background: Each year the Veterans Commission accepts nomination forms for the Veteran of the Year. Due to COVID 19, the Commission did not meet and update the form for this year's award. Staff has added the current form to the City of Milpitas webpage and the Veterans Commission Webpage to remain year-round.

Recommendation: Have the Commission discuss the Veteran of the Year award and decide on if they would like to forego or postpone this year's Veteran of the Year, since no applications have been received.

e. Honoring Milpitas Veterans

Background: At the last Veterans Commission meeting, the sub-committee of Commissioner Ebright, Commissioner Ramos and Commissioner Choy was formed to moved forward with this project. The Committee was able to find a sample of the dedication from the City of Livermore. Staff has attached samples as attachments to the agenda.

Recommendation: Receive update from sub-committee members and finalize project recommendation to move forward to City Council for consideration.

10. Liaison Reports

- City Council
- Staff Report

11. Adjournment

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