

**City of Milpitas
Veterans Commission Meeting
Agenda**

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023
5:30 p.m.**

**Barbara Lee Senior Center, 40 N Milpitas Blvd Milpitas
Room 140/141**



I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

IV. Seating of Alternates

V. Approval of Agenda: April 5, 2023

VI. Approval of Minutes: February 1, 2023

VII. Public Forum

Those interested are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers may provide their name and city of residence for the record, and comments may be limited to three minutes, or less. As an item not listed on the agenda, no response is required of the Commission or staff. However, Commission members may request staff to add the item to a future meeting agenda. This public meeting will be led with professionalism, respect and civility, so profanity and/or vulgar language will not be allowed.

VIII. Announcements/Correspondence

IX. Business Items

a. Review of the Ralph M. Brown Act – City Attorney Michael Mutalipassi

Background: Like local legislative bodies in California, the Veterans Commission is subject to public meeting requirements per the Ralph M. Brown Act that guarantee the public's right to attend and participate in public meetings of local legislative bodies. The Brown Act provides legal minimums for local agency transparency and decision making and is the guide to the public's right of access in government affairs that every Commissioner shall follow.

Recommendation: Receive presentation and discuss as appropriate.

b. Memorial Day – City Staff

Background: The Veterans Commission's work plan includes contributing to the planning of the annual Memorial Day Ceremony. Staff is asking the Commission to discuss and come to consensus on what they would like to see at this year's event.

Recommendation: Discuss what the commissioners would like to see at this year's ceremony and make recommendations, so staff can work to add them to this year's ceremony.

c. Veterans Outreach – City Staff

Background: Staff maintains a list of Veterans in Milpitas. According to the 2020 census there are approximately 2,500 Veterans residing in Milpitas. Staff would like input and ways of growing the list to reach out to the Veterans in Milpitas to invite them to events and provide information to them. Staff has made a flier with the QR code to sign up as a Veteran, and will be displaying it at City offices, at the Milpitas Veteran Support Group meetings, and at the

information table at special events. Business cards for each commissioner with the QR code on the back to sign up as a Milpitas Veteran will be distributed to each Commissioner to help spread the work of the commission.

Recommendation: Discuss ways to grow the list of Veterans in Milpitas.

Liaison Reports

- City Council
- Staff Report

Future Agenda Items

Honoring Milpitas Veterans Project

Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

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