



CITY OF MILPITAS

Community Advisory Commission

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

7:00 pm

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Vishal Gandhi called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioner Oscar Leon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Roll Call**

Commissioners:

Commissioners Present: Chair Vishal Gandhi, Vice Chair Jinky Peralta, Commissioners Oscar Leon, Jose Geronimo, Commissioner Kavita Sreedhar.

Youth Commissioner Elizabeth Ashley was Not Present at roll call.

City Council Liaison:

Vice Mayor Evelyn Chua was Present.

City Staff Present:

- a. Economic Development Director Alex Andrade
- b. Housing Division Manager Robert Musallam
- c. Senior Administrative Analyst Sarah Balcha
- d. Administrative Analyst II Michelle Silva

4. **Seating of Alternates**

No seating of alternates.

5. **Approval of Agenda** September 6, 2023

Motion to approve September 6, 2023 agenda

Motion/Second: Commissioner Oscar Leon / Vice Chair Jinky Peralta

Motion carried by a vote of Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0

6. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** August 2, 2023

Motion to approve August 2, 2023 minutes

Motion/Second: Commissioner Kavita Sreedhar / Commissioner Jose Geronimo

Motion carried by a vote of Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 1

7. Public Forum

None.

8. Announcements

- a. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) was approved by City Council on September 6th. Now, the City will be submitting the CAPER to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- b. Neighborhood Beautification Award nominations period has opened, and it closes September 29th.

9. Business Items

- a. CAC Budget Discussion: Commission discussed how to allocate the CAC budget to achieve their workplan objectives.

Motion to Approve \$1000 budget allocation as follows:

- i. CDBG Public Meeting: \$100
- ii. Spring Cleaning Event: \$75
- iii. National Night Out: \$400
- iv. Neighborhood Beautification Awards: \$0
- v. Community Engagement and Affordable Housing and Building Safety Month Event: \$250
- vi. Miscellaneous Items: \$175

Motion/Second: Chair Vishal Gandhi / Commissioner Oscar Leon

Motion carried by a vote of Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0

10. Discussion of Future Agenda Items

- Commissioner Leon made a request for an item that would not be under the CAC's workplan. An email to City staff was recommended.

11. City Liaison Reports

a. Councilmember

- i. On September 5th, City Council approved expanding the smart ride from 7am to 9 pm Monday – Friday and to add services on Saturdays. There will be 4 months free throughout the year. The months will not be consecutive, they will alternate.
- ii. City is looking into the Police and Fire Departments ability to hand out Narcan for free.
- iii. Grand opening of Delores Manongs Park on 10/14/2023 from 11am – 2pm.
- iv. Milpitas library is holding a book sale event this upcoming weekend.

b. City Staff

- i. City Council prioritization list includes connecting with different consulate offices and seeing if there is interest in coming to Milpitas for a weekend or longer to provide their services for the South Bay.
- ii.

12. Adjournment

- a. Time: The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM to the 10/3/2023 meeting

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