



# CITY OF MILPITAS Veterans Commission

## MEETING MINUTES

5:30 PM

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

BARBARA LEE SENIOR CENTER

40 N. MILPITAS BLVD.

ROOM 140/141

MILPITAS, CA 95035

<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	Chair Sandhu called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
<b>ROLL CALL</b>	<b>PRESENT:</b> Commissioners Choy, Devereux, Lingad, Monzon, Ramos, Sandhu, Councilmember Mayor Carmen Montano <b>ABSENT:</b> Commissioners Garcia, Long, Hammett, <b>City Staff:</b> Daniel Clark – Recreation Program Coordinator Lisa Mendes – Public Services Assistant
<b>PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE</b>	Chair Sandhu led the Pledge of Allegiance.
<b>ALTERNATE SEATING</b>	None.
<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>	Motion to approve the agenda for August 7, 2024. Motion/Second: Ramos/Monzon Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>	Motion to approve the minutes for June 5, 2024 Motion/Second: Ramos/Devereux Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0
<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>	None
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	None
<b>BUSINESS ITEMS</b>	<b>a. Veterans Appreciation Lunch Debrief – Recreation and Community Services Staff</b>  The Commission debriefed on the Veterans Appreciation Lunch. The Commission discussed the pros and cons of the event to help improve next year's event. The Commission enjoyed it being a summer event versus in November and enjoyed the location at the Jose Higuera Adobe Building. They

would like to promote the lunch at the Veterans Day ceremony and to the unhoused. Suggested to have a sign board with the timeline and menu for the event. Lastly, they would like to ask the Scouts if they could do a flag raising.

**b. Veterans Day – Recreation and Community Services Staff**

The Commission discussed the details of the annual Veterans Day Ceremony which will be held on November 11, 2024. The Commission was tasked to find a keynote speaker, acquire nominations for Veterans of the Year and a singer for the National Anthem. They requested that the Police and Fire Chiefs be introduced with the dignitaries. A rehearsal will take place for the commissioners on Wednesday November 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

**c. Veteran of the Year – Recreation and Community Services Department Staff**

The Commission discussed Veteran of the Year. For the Branch of Service, they would like to add “United States” to the Branch of Service. For publicity, they would like to send the nomination form to those on the Constant Contact list and to distribute the flier to the public.

- STAFF LIAISON REPORT** Danny Clark – Program Coordinator provided updates about upcoming special events including Lantern Festival, and Milpitas Fiesta.
- LIAISON REPORT** Mayor Montano reported that there were no scheduled City Council Meetings in July. There will be a special meeting of the City Council on August 6, 2024, to discuss Measure F.
- FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** Veterans Appreciation Lunch Date; Memorial Bricks Project
- ADJOURNMENT** With there being no further business, Chair Sandhu adjourned the meeting at 6:29 PM to the next scheduled meeting held on October 2, 2024.