



CITY OF MILPITAS Veterans Commission

MEETING MINUTES

5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 6, 2025
BARBARA LEE SENIOR CENTER
40 N. MILPITAS BLVD.
ROOM 140/141
MILPITAS, CA 95035

CALL TO ORDER	Chair Choy called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.
ROLL CALL	PRESENT: Commissioners Choy, Devereux, Lingad, Monzon, and Sandhu ABSENT: Commissioners Garcia, and Long City Staff: Daniel Clark – Recreation and Community Services Program Coordinator Lisa Mendes – Recreation and Community Services Program Coordinator City Council Liaison: Vice Mayor Barbadillo (absent)
PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE	Chair Choy led the Pledge of Allegiance.
ALTERNATE SEATING	N/A
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Motion to approve the agenda for August 6, 2025. Motion/Second: Choy/Sandhu Motion carried by a vote of AYES: All NOES: 0
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Motion to approve the minutes for June 4, 2025, with the correction of Vice Chair Devereux to Vice Chair Monzon and change the date in the footer to June 4, 2025. Motion/Second: Devereux/Monzon Motion carried by a vote of AYES: Devereux, Lingad, and Monzon NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: Sandhu and Choy
PUBLIC FORUM	N/A
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Vice Chair Monzon announced that there will be a Veterans Standdown event on November 6 - 8 at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds.

BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Veterans Luncheon Debrief – Recreation and Community Services Staff

The commission discussed the Veterans Luncheon held on July 19, 2025. They were pleased with the event and would like to hold it next year on May 16, 2026, to coincide with Armed Forces Day at Jose Higuera Adobe Park. They are hoping more Milpitas Veterans will attend an event in the spring rather than in the summer.

b. Veterans Day – Recreation and Community Services Staff

The commission discussed the Veterans Day Ceremony and agreed to reach out to potential keynote speakers by Friday, August 29, 2025. Staff member Clark will reach out to the Knights of Columbus to present the colors. The commission agreed to hold a rehearsal on Monday, November 3, 2025.

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

Staff member Clark distributed the application for Veteran of the Year for the commissions review. The commission agreed that they would like to add the discharge status of the nominee to the application.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Staff member Clark announced that the Recreation and Community Services summer programs are coming to an end this week. Upcoming special events include Lantern Festival on September 12, Milpitas Fiesta on October 11, Pumpkins in the Park on October 25, Dia de Muertos on November 1, and Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11, 2025.

LIAISON REPORT

N/A

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Veterans Brick Wall, Say Hi to a Hero, Veteran Car Show, and Veterans Day Ceremony

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, Chair Choy adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m. to the next scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 1, 2025.