



City Hall  
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Vallejo, CA 94590

# AGENDA

## HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION December 9, 2008

**Special Meeting  
7:00 p.m. – City Council Chambers**

**CHAIRPERSON**  
Mustafa Abdul-Ghane

**VICE CHAIR**  
Marie Nelson

**COMMISSION**  
Maria Bitagon  
Donald Chun  
Donald Jordan  
Earnestine Lawson

This AGENDA contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The posting of the recommended actions does not indicate what action may be taken. If comments come to the Commission without prior notice and are not listed on the AGENDA, no specific answers or response should be expected at this meeting per State law.

Those wishing to address the Commission on any matter for which another opportunity to speak is not provided on the AGENDA but which is within the jurisdiction of the Commission to resolve may come forward to the podium during the "COMMUNITY FORUM" portion of the AGENDA. Those wishing to speak on a "PUBLIC HEARING" matter will be called forward at the appropriate time during the public hearing consideration.

Copies of written documentation relating to each item of business on the AGENDA are on file in the Office of the City Clerk and are available for public inspection. Information may be obtained by calling (707) 648-4527, TDD (707) 649-3562, or at our web site: <http://www.ci.vallejo.ca.us>.

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 3. ROLL CALL

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

**Notice:** Members of the public wishing to address the Commission on Consent Calendar Items are requested to submit a completed speaker card to the Staff. Each speaker is limited to three minutes. Requests for removal of Consent Items received from the public are subject to approval by a majority vote of the Commission. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be heard immediately after approval of the Consent Calendar and Agenda.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby certify that I caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Human Relations Commission at the time and manner prescribed by law and posted in an area freely accessible to members of the public on December 5, 2008.

## 5. CONSENT CALENDAR

**Notice:** All Consent Calendar items are approved under one motion unless requested to be removed by the Commission Chairperson or staff.

A. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MAY 28, 2008

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

## 6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

**Notice:** Written communications received from the public and not added to the agenda by the Chair or a member of the Commission will be filed unless referred to the staff for a response. A written request to address the Commission on a subject not scheduled for discussion will be considered at the same time "Written Communications" is before the Commission.

## 7. STAFF REPORT (Human Resources Program Manager Debora Boutté)

## 8. REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON, MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND COMMITTEES

## 9. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON'S REPORT (Councilmember Bartee)

**Notice:** No action or discussion will take place with respect to the brief announcements and oral reports.

## 10. VCUSD SCHOOL DISTRICT LIAISON'S REPORT (Dr. Susan Craig)

## 11. POLICE DEPARTMENT LIAISON'S REPORT

### A. QUARTERLY STATISTICS

A representative from the Police Department may be present to discuss the quarterly statistics, and report on any past claims or actions pertaining to the Police Department. Otherwise, the statistics will be reviewed as presented in attached report and questions may be referred to Staff to follow-up with the Police Department.

## 12. COMMUNITY FORUM

**Notice:** Anyone wishing to address the Commission on any matter for which another opportunity to speak is not provided on the agenda, and which is within the jurisdiction of the Commission to resolve, may step to the podium and state his/her name and address for the record. The Community Forum shall be limited to three (3) minutes for individuals and five (5) minutes for individuals representing a group.

### 13. POLICY ITEMS

None

### 14. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING VALLEJO POLICE DEPARTMENT PLAN TO REMOVE OFFICERS FROM VALLEJO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOLS

ABC 7 News as well as the Vallejo Times Herald carried a news story indicating that the Vallejo Police Department intends to void an agreement it has with the Vallejo City Unified School District and remove police personnel from District middle and high school campuses. The story indicates that the decision is causing a great deal of concern and anxiety among District and campus administrators and Community members. The Chair is equally concerned, particularly with what is reported to be inadequate notice that would allow the District to find a suitable alternative to police protection. The Commission will provide an opportunity for the community at large, the school community and the Vallejo Police Department to share thoughts, concerns and/or suggestions regarding the School District's appeal to keep police protection on middle and high school campuses.

Proposed action: Receive input from community members and the Vallejo Police Department, discuss the matter and provide a recommendation to the City Council regarding the Vallejo City Unified School District's appeal to keep police protection on District middle and high school campuses.

- B. CITY COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEE REQUEST FOR LIST OF COMMISSION ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SPECIFIC GOALS

The City Clerk advises that a City Council appointed Ad Hoc Committee is preparing a report to the Council which will review the function of the City's Boards and Commissions and that the Committee is requesting a list of Commission accomplishments and specific goals. The Commission will provide input to the Chair regarding accomplishments and specific goals of the Commission toward fulfillment of the Ad Hoc Committee's request.

Proposed action: Discuss the matter and provide input to the Chair and Staff regarding the accomplishments and specific goals of the Human Relations Commission.

- C. STATUS OF CLAIMS –CHAIR ABDUL-GHANEE

Commissioner Abdul-Ghanee and/or staff will provide a written or verbal report regarding the status of claims.

Proposed Action: Receive the report and provide direction to follow-up on any recommended action from the Commission regarding claims.

## **15. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

The Commission will discuss past and upcoming community activities and possible participation in community events related to human relations and positive interactions with the citizens of Vallejo.

Proposed Action: Provide staff with direction in signing up for upcoming events and what level of participation to provide.

## **16. ADJOURNMENT**