



ALAMEDA COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Executive Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 15, 2024

9:30 AM to 10:00 AM

In-Person Attendance:

Alameda County Veterans' Memorial Bldg.
37154 2nd St, Fremont, Ca 94536

Via Zoom Video Conference Call, use link below:

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I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
- B. Review and Approval of 3.18.2024 Executive Meeting Minutes
- C. Review and Approval of Executive Meeting Agenda
- D. Baqar's Proclamation Status
- E. Letter to Staff
- F. ALCO VSO Status

II. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Membership: New and Pending Commissioners, Vacancies and Recruiting
- B. Budget
- C. PAL Legislation Recommendations
- D. Outreach
- E. Veteran Observance Days
- F. Veterans day
- G. Women's Veterans Day
- H. VSO
- I. Street Plaques
- J. Stand Down

Andrea Ford, Agency Director

Faith M. Battles, Assistant Agency Director



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General Meeting Agenda

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10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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Public participation at Commission meetings is encouraged. We request that individuals limit their comments on any single item on the agenda to two minutes.

10:00 – 10:02	CALL TO ORDER <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum2. Review and Approval of 3.18.2024 General Meeting Minutes3. Review and Approval of General Meeting Agenda
10:02 – 10:03	SALUTE COLORS-IN-PLACE
10:03 – 10:04	RECITE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
10:04 – 10:05	MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR POW/MIA VETERANS
10:05 – 10:20	PUBLIC COMMENT
10:20 – 11:20	SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Executive2. Membership3. Budget4. PAL Legislation Recommendations5. Outreach & Veteran Observance Days6. VSO7. Street Plaques8. Stand Up/ Down

Andrea Ford, Agency Director**Faith M. Battles**, Assistant Agency Director

11:20-11:40	GUEST SPEAKER TOPIC Pets & Vets
11:40-11:55	STAFF UPDATE
11:55-12 PM	ORAL COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS
12:00 PM	ADJOURNMENT

THE COMMISSIONS' PURPOSE

[Article 3 §§ 1 and 2][CA admin code § 2.92.040 - Duties]

The commission **SHALL ADVISE & ASSIST the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** on matters relating to veterans & their families as may pertain to meeting their basic needs for **veterans' benefits, housing, food, shelter, & employment**:

1. Assist in all **VETERANS' OBSERVANCE DAYS** during the year;
[***SUGGESTED** - ¹Armed Forces Day (3rd Saturday **May**), ² Memorial Day (Last Monday **May**), ³ Patriot Day (Annually **September 11**), ⁴ Veterans Day (11th **November** Annually).*]
2. Promote, develop, & identify the needs of the veterans and their families.
3. Submit recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding programs, plans, goals, policy, & procedures dealing with veteran services.
4. Review annually the status of veterans' benefits.
5. Study, investigate & research veterans' matters in Alameda County so that services to veterans can be coordinated and maximized.

The Commission's purpose & objectives to ADVISE & ASSIST the Board of Supervisors are accomplished through:

- Attending and speaking at civic/community activities.
- Membership in Veterans' Organizations.
- Individual contacts within the Community.
- Membership in Civic Organizations.
- Membership in Honor and Color Guard Units.
- Personal Commitment.
- Participation in Eastbay Stand-Downs.
- Lobbying (Any attempt by individuals or private interest groups to influence the decisions of a politician or public official on an issue),

etc.

[Reference: Outlined in the 5/24/2021, 7/22/2019, 11/26/2018, and 9/26/2016 Annual Veterans Affairs Commission Report to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors]