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ALAMEDA COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Executive Meeting Agenda

Monday, November 20, 2023 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM

In-Person Attendance: Veterans Memorial Building 200 Grand Ave Oakland, Ca, 94610

Via Zoom Video Conference Call:

(You may join from a computer, tablet, or smartphone using the following link) <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/99526750740?pwd=YlpjQ1JsRm5FM2VsNndTL3FZRmg0Zz09</u>

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I. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
- 2. Review and Approval of 10.16.2023 Executive Meeting Minutes
- 3. Review and Approval of Executive Meeting Agenda

II. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Mallory Newman Status
- 2. Parshall update
- 3. PAL Legislature recommendations

III. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Membership & Meeting times
- 2. Budget
- 3. Outreach
- 4. VSO
- 5. NCBVO
- 6. Veterans Day & 11-10 Lunch
- 7. Nomination
- 8. Stand up



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General Meeting Agenda Monday, November 20, 2023 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. The chosen spokesperson for a group may speak for four minutes.

10:00 – 10:02 CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
- 2. Review and Approval of 10.16.2023 General Meeting Minutes
- 3. Review and Approval of Executive 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 10:10 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 10:10 11:00 **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - 1. Executive
 - 2. Membership & Meeting Times
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11:00-11:50 **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Pal Legislature recommendations

2. Guest Speaker Jessi Cutter, Veteran Memorial Building staff

3. Staff update

11:50 – 12:00 ORAL COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 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 <u>veterans' benefits</u>, <u>housing</u>, <u>food</u>, <u>shelter</u>, & <u>employment</u>:

- Assist in all VETERANS² OBSERVANCE DAYS during the year; [SUGGESTED - ¹Armed Forces Day (3rd Saturday <u>May</u>), ² Memorial Day (Last Monday <u>May</u>), ³ Patriot Day (Annually <u>September</u> 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 <u>ADVISE & ASSIST the Board of Supervisors</u> 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]