



City of Milpitas
Veterans Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 6, 2016
5:30 p.m.

Milpitas City Hall Committee Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
Milpitas, CA 95035

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Arbaugh called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. **FLAG SALUTE:** Vice Chair Arbaugh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Liliana Ramos, Dana Arbaugh, Denny Weisgerber, William (Bill) Devereux, Arthur Ebright, Andre Ramones, Ed Ackerman, Allen Thomas

Excused Absence: None

Late Attendance: Ed Ackerman

Unexcused Absence: None

IV. **SEATING OF ALTERNATES:** Alternate Commissioner William Devereux was seated.

V. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA: APRIL 6, 2016**

M/S: Weisgerber / Ramos AYES: All

VI. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: FEBRUARY 3, 2016**

M/S: Weisgerber / Ebright AYES: All

VII. **PUBLIC FORUM**

Karen Kolander from the Milpitas Food Pantry shared her observation and concerns regarding for a handful of the Food Pantry’s clientele who are homeless veterans. She asked the Commission to work with the Food Pantry in terms of providing their homeless veterans clients some help.

Rick Martinez shared information regarding the California Deer Association (CDA) and this organization’s efforts in recognizing veterans.

VIII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS/COORESPONDENCE**

Staff Liaison Dale Flunoy thanked the Commissioners for their outreach efforts to fill the current alternate member Commission vacancy. He also reported the re-appointment of Chair Arbaugh and Commissioner Devereux at the April 5, 2016 City Council meeting. He also reminded the Commissioners about the upcoming Commissioners Recognition Lunch on April 30, 2016.

Motion was made to agendize the matter regarding a soon-to-be-constructed military museum in Santa Clara Country, investigate the possible use and purchase of the property located between

the library and the Milpitas Post, and collaborate with the Historical Society to develop part of the property into a military museum.

M/S: Weisgerber / Arbaugh

Ayes: All

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Milpitas Veterans Car Show (2016)

Discussions continued regarding the t-shirts, logo, raffle, advertising, sponsors, booths, disk jockey (DJ), car shows held in other cities for benchmarking and assessing event / date competition, and other related issues.

Chair Arbaugh reported that Bay 101 made a sponsorship commitment of \$2,000.

Councilmember Giordano suggested for the Commission to reach out to the Edesa Bitbadal, the City's Economic Development Director as a resource and access to Milpitas businesses.

During the discussion regarding this year's non-profit organization check recipients, **motion** was made to donate \$1,000 from last year's Car Show to the Milpitas Food Pantry.

M/S: Arbaugh / Ebright

Ayes: All

As part of the subcommittee in researching for this year's categories, Vice Chair Ebright reported back that with the exception of minor modifications or clarification, the current category listing is sufficient. Consensus was made to have future discussions regarding this matter.

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss Work Plan

The Commission addressed their inquiries and need for clarification with Councilmember Giordano and Staff Liaison Flunoy regarding the Commission's recent presentation of this year's Work Plan before the City Council.

Councilmember Giordano and Staff Liaison Flunoy commended the Commissioners for the good work that had been done thus far. Discussions were made for further outreach.

Motion was made for the Commission to conduct outreach to Milpitas churches and interfaith organizations via email and mail in hopes of reaching out to more veterans who need assistance.

M/S: Arbaugh / Ramos

Ayes: All

2. Memorial Day 2016

Staff Liaison Flunoy reminded the Commissioners regarding this upcoming event. Consensus was made that for Memorial Day 2017, the Commission would have a more active participation in the event.

XII. LIAISON REPORTS

1. City Council Report

Councilmember Giordano reported that the city continues to be busier than ever in terms of residential development projects, building permit issuance, and business attraction as new business are welcomed to the community. These will bring not only additional revenue via sales and transient occupancy tax (TOT), but also other positive economic drivers that are good for the City.

Discussion was made in particular regarding the Landmark Towers project as well as other upcoming events sponsored by the City such as Summer Movie Nights and the Youth Advisory Commission's math competition.

2. Staff Report

Staff Liaison Flunoy announced that Recreation Services Manager Renee Lorentzen will be covering for him at the next Veteran's Commission meeting in June 2016.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 2016 Work Plan updates
- 2016 Car Show
- Memorial Day Ceremony
- Veterans Day Ceremony
- Flag Challenge – TBD

XIII. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, June 1, 2016, at 5:30 p.m.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Arbaugh adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

*Draft Minutes above respectfully submitted by
Pam Caronongan, Milpitas Deputy City Clerk*

City of Milpitas, California

BUDGET CHANGE FORM

Type of Change	From		To	
	Account	Amount	Account	Amount
Check one: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget Appropriation <input type="checkbox"/> Budget Transfer	100-3750	1,000	100-167-4221	1,000

Approve a donation of \$1,000 from the Veterans Commission to the Milpitas Food Pantry (Staff Contact: Dale Flunoy, 408-586-3228)

Background:

The Veterans Commission holds an Annual Car Show to raise proceeds to benefit local organizations that assist Veterans. At the April 6, 2015 Veterans Commission meeting, the Commission voted to recommend to donate \$1,000 to the Milpitas Food Pantry as the organization directly assists Milpitas veterans who are in need of assistance.

Fiscal Impact:

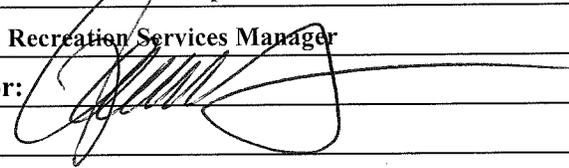
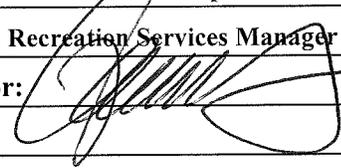
None. A transfer of \$1,000 from the Veterans Commission Holding Account HA1377-2600 to Special Events account 167-4221 will not impact the general fund budget.

Recommendations:

Approve a donation of \$1,000 from the Veterans Commission to the Milpitas Food Pantry.

Check if City Council Approval required.

Meeting Date: June 7, 2016

Requested by:	Dale Flunoy, Recreation Services Supervisor	Date:
Department Head:	Renee Lorentzen, Recreation Services Manager	Date:
Reviewed by:	Finance Director: 	Date: 5/25/2016
Approved by:	City Manager: 	Date:
Date approved by City Council, if required:		Confirmed by: