

Commission on the Status of Women Special Meeting – July 26, 2023 MINUTES

The meeting convened at 7:19pm with Chairperson Marasovic presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Marasovic, Simon, Posey, Goodwin, Seshagiri

Absent: Ortiz-Cedeno Leave of Absence: Boyd

Comments from the Public

Public attendance: 0Public comments: 0

Action

Item # 1:

Approval of May 17, 2023 Minutes:

Minutes Approved

M/S/C: Simon, Seshagiri

Ayes: Marasovic, Seshagiri, Simon, Posey, Goodwin

Absent: Ortiz-Cedeno Leave of Absence: Boyd

Item # 2:

Approval of the Agenda:

Agenda Approved

M/S/C: Marasovic, Simon

Ayes: Marasovic, Seshagiri, Simon, Posey, Goodwin

Absent: Ortiz-Cedeno

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Leave of Absence: Boyd

Item # 3:

<u>Discussion on Commissioner Preference between North Berkeley Senior Center or South Berkeley Senior Center with Vote for Location. Discussion and Possible Action:</u>

Approval on the New Location of North Berkeley Senior Center

M/S/C: Simon, Marasovic

Ayes: Marasovic, Seshagiri, Simon, Posey, Goodwin

Absent: Ortiz-Cedeno Leave of Absence: Boyd

Item # 4:

<u>Vice- Chair Election: Nominations can be self- nominated or nominated by any commissioner.</u>

<u>Nominations then must be seconded. Candidate may make a brief statement. Vote taken.</u>

<u>Discussion and Possible Action:</u>

COSOW New Vice-Chair Radha Seshagiri

M/S/C: Seshagiri, Posey

Ayes: Marasovic, Seshagiri, Simon, Posey, Goodwin

Absent: Ortiz-Cedeno Leave of Absence: Boyd

Item # 5:

Selection of Alternate Meeting Date for August COSOW Meeting to Choose Between August 23, 2023 or August 30, 2023 to Accommodate Speaker. Discussion and Possible Action:

Approval for August 30, 2023 New Meeting Date

M/S/C: Goodwin, Posey

Ayes: Marasovic, Seshagiri, Simon, Posey, Goodwin

Absent: Ortiz-Cedeno Leave of Absence: Boyd

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Item # 6:

Discussion on the Choice of Weeks for Monthly Meetings. Discussion and Possible Action:

Moved to be discussed at a future meeting.

Item # 7:

<u>Discussion on BPD Presentations on Domestic/ Gender-Based /Intimate Partner Violence, Sex Trafficking and Sexual Assaults at May COSOW Meeting and Determination of any issues that COSOW chooses to Address Based on Presentation. Discussion and Possible Action:</u>

Moved to be discussed at a future meeting.

Item # 8:

Older Women Targeted as Victims of Crime. Discussion and Possible Action:

Moved to be discussed at a future meeting.

Item # 9:

<u>Develop Work Plan to Focus on Issues COSOW wants to address and make</u> recommendations. Identify Commissioner to take on Issues and Methodology of Meeting (subcommunities or otherwise):

Moved to be discussed at a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Okeya Vance Dozier, Secretary

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