

**CITY OF SURPRISE
VETERANS, DISABILITY, AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – APPROVED

June 8, 2022 / 6:00 PM

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
16000 North Civic Center Plaza
Surprise, AZ 85374**

CALL TO ORDER.

Chair Kent-Partridge called the Veterans, Disability, and Human Services Commission meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at Surprise City Hall, 16000 North Civic Center Plaza, Surprise, Arizona 85374, on June 8, 2022.

ROLL CALL

In attendance were Chair Julie Kent-Partridge, Vice Chair Steffen Hanzel, Commissioners Phillip Lair, Jennifer Quintero, Harrylouis Rodriguez, Gwen Mendez, and Allison Wisniewski. (1 Vacancy)

Absent: Commissioners John Billcheck, Shawna Daigle and Nickolas Kupper (all excused).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STAFF PRESENT:

Human Service & Community Vitality Administrator Danielle Osborne, Director Seth Dyson, Human Services Supervisor Jennifer Griffin, Planning Manager Jason Moquin, and Financial Analyst, Sr. Deb Perry were present.

CURRENT EVENTS REPORT

Chair Kent-Partridge reported on the following upcoming events:

- Days of Service at St. Mary's Food Bank
 - Wednesday, June 15th from 7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
 - Wednesday, July 20th from 7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- Adaptive Imperfectly Inspires Paint Party at the Sierra Montana Recreation Center
 - Saturday, June 18th from 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
- Movie at the Surprise Aquatic Center
 - Saturday, June 18th from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
- Independence Day Celebrations
 - Saturday, July 2nd beginning 5:00 p.m. at the Surprise Stadium
 - Saturday, July 2nd from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Aquatic Center and Mark Coronado Park
- City offices will be closed in observance of Juneteenth and Independence Day
 - Monday, June 20th
 - Monday, July 4th

- Commissioner Everett has submitted her resignation
- Attended the Veteran's Roundtable on May 25

Commissioner Wisniewski reported:

- Volunteers are needed for the National Veterans Wheelchair Games. The event will be held in Tempe from July 7 – July 12th. Go to www.wheelchairgames.org to volunteer.
- The new Healthy Home Front website launched with many resources to offer veterans, veteran families and those transitioning out of the military to assist with health and wellness, resources and good news stories. www.healthyhomefront.com.

STAFF REPORT

Administrator Danielle Osborne reported the following:

- Spoke with Officer Tovar regarding the Commission's desire to support or complement the GAIN Night event. Staff will meet and coordinate on what that support looks like and future updates will be brought forward to the Commission.
- Resource Satellite Hub furniture is on order but due to supply chain issues there have been some delays. We have received a few pieces and as we receive more items an update will be brought forward. Thank you to the Commission for supporting the effort.
- The Veteran's Roundtable was held on May 25th, Chair Kent-Partridge and Commissioner Lair attended the event. We had 20 overall in attendance along with 4 Councilmembers. We had some great discussion: Vista Center for the Arts would like to host a performance catered to veterans. We also learned there is a high need for services for those that are on base. The discussion centered around this need and creating a network of resources that we could share. We encourage you to attend if you are able.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None

CONSENT AGENDA

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS - PUBLIC HEARING:

None

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS - NON-PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 1 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to the May 11, 2022 Veterans, Disability & Human Services Commission meeting minutes.

Commissioner Lair made a motion to approve the May 11, 2022 Veterans, Disability & Human Services Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Mendez seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 yes votes, 3 absent (Billcheck, Daigle, Kupper) and 1 vacancy.

Item 2 – Citywide – Presentation and discussion pertaining to the services offered by Circle the City.

Circle the City Director of Community Outreach, Stephanie Martinez, made the presentation to the commission.

Item 3 – Citywide – Consideration and action pertaining to the City of Surprise General Plan Advisory Group.

Planning Manager Jason Moquin made the presentation to the commission.

Vice Chair Hanzel made a motion to appoint Commissioner Rodriguez to the City of Surprise General Plan Advisory Group. Commissioner Mendez seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 yes votes, 3 absent (Billcheck, Daigle, Kupper) and 1 vacancy.

Commissioner Rodriguez made a motion to appoint Commissioner Mendez as an alternate to the City of Surprise General Plan Advisory Group. Vice Chair Hanzel seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 yes votes, 3 absent (Billcheck, Daigle, Kupper) and 1 vacancy.

Item 4 – Citywide – Update and discussion pertaining to the Servants of Surprise (SOS) program.

HSCV Administrator Danielle Osborne provided an update on the Servants of Surprise (SOS) program.

Item 5 – Citywide – Discussion and action pertaining to approval of the Fiscal Year 2023 Veterans, Disability and Humans Services Commission meeting calendar.

Commissioner Rodriguez made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission meeting calendar. Vice Chair Hanzel seconded the motion. Motion carried with 7 yes votes, 3 absent (Billcheck, Daigle, Kupper) and 1 vacancy.

OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Update on work groups
- Revisit meeting calendar – specifically October
- Adelanate WIC update

ADJOURNMENT:

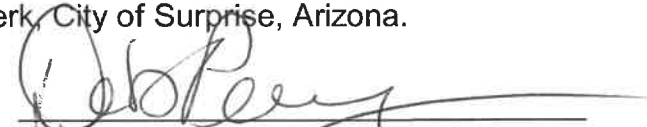
Vice Chair Hanzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Veterans, Disability & Human Services Commission of June 8, 2022 at 7:44 p.m. Commissioner Mendez seconded the motion. The motion carried with 7 yes votes, 3 absent (Billcheck, Daigle, Kupper) and 1 vacancy.


Danielle Osborne
HSCV Administrator


Julie Kent-Partridge
Veterans, Disability and Human Services Commission Chair

The foregoing instrument is a full, true, and correct copy of the original document on file in the office of the City Clerk, City of Surprise, Arizona.

ATTEST BY:


Deb Perry, Commission Liaison

DATE:


8/11/22