

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

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MEETING AGENDA

**LOCATION: PALM SPRINGS POLICE TRAINING CENTER – Room B
200 South Civic Drive – Adjacent to the Police Department**

Saturday,
Sept. 27, 2014



8:30 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS

**Dee Dee Wilson Barton, Chair
David Brown
Jilka Chandrasena
Janel Hunt**

**Jack Newby, Vice Chair
Wes Rankins
Suzanne Reynolds
Deborah Sutton-Weiss
Les Zendle**

Student Representatives

**Maddie Barton, Palm Springs High School
Maribel Wright, Raymond Cree Middle School**

Staff Liaison:

Lee Bonno
Director of Neighborhood & Community Relations

City of Palm Springs Vision Statement: Palm Springs aspires to be a unique world-class desert community, where residents and visitors enjoy our high quality of life and a relaxing experience. We desire to balance our cultural and historical resources with responsible, sustainable economic growth and enhance our natural desert beauty. We are committed to providing responsive, friendly, and efficient customer service in an environment that fosters unity among all our citizens.

Pursuant to G.C. Section 54957.5 the designated office for inspection of public records in connection with the meeting is the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California.

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1. CALL TO ORDER:
2. FLAG SALUTE:
3. MISSION STATEMENT: "The Mission of the Palm Springs Human Rights Commission is to promote and protect the diversity of our community and to improve human relations through education and community awareness."

4. ROLL CALL:
5. POSTING OF THE AGENDA: This Agenda was available for public access at the City Hall exterior bulletin board (west side of Council Chamber), the City Clerk's office, and Planning Services counter on or before 4 p.m., Wednesday, September 17, 2014. A courtesy web site posting of the Agenda may be found at the City's web site www.palmsprings-ca.gov. Pursuant to the Government Code Section 54957.5, the designated office for inspection of public records in connection with the public meeting of the Human Rights Commission is the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, at 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California.
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Three (3) minutes per speaker
7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 14, 2014 MEETING
8. REVIEW OF COMMISSION'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH/HANDOUT MATERIALS
9. HRC BUSINESS PLAN FOR 2014/2015 – Retreat session to be facilitated by Chair Dee Dee Wilson Barton
 - 9.A Introduction – Commissioners to highlight two to three areas of interests about themselves, no more than 2 to 3 minutes per Commissioner
 - 9.B Quick round table – Commissioners to name two skills and two passions as related to the Commission
 - 9.C List and review areas of human rights
 - 9.D Select main areas of focus for 2014/2015
 - 9.E Map out calendar for 2014/2015
 - 9.F Make Commissioner assignments
 - 9.G Community outreach efforts for 2014/2015
 - 9.H Commissioners' personal goals for the year related to the Commission
10. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / AND OR VOTE:
 - 10.A Participation in Palm Springs Pride, Saturday and Sunday Nov. 8-9, 2014
 - 10.B Community Service Awards to be presented Jan. 12, 2015 – Commissioner Zendle
 - 10.C Approve the expenditure for mediation training
 - 10.D Processes for offering/providing mediation services to the community
 - 10.E Discuss preparing an annual report
 - 10.F Discuss starting the monthly Commission meetings at 4 p.m. instead of 3 p.m.
 - 10.G The public comment period of each meeting
11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE OCT. 13, 2014 HRC MEETING
 - Update on City's diversity/cultural humility training; City's recruiting, hiring and promoting of women and other minority groups; City's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
12. ADJOURNMENT

Enclosures:

1. Minutes from the July 14, 2014 HRC meeting
2. List of past Community Service Award recipients
3. Criteria/timeline for Community Service Awards

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MEETINGS at 3:00 p.m. THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH.