

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION MEETING

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

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AGENDA

Monday
February 13, 2017, 3:00 p.m.



Palm Springs City Hall
Council Chamber

Wesley Rankins, Chair
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Zjarvre Crawford, Palm Springs High School
Jaiden Hunt, Raymond Cree Middle School

Staff Liaison
Dale Cook, Community Development Administrator

City of Palm Springs Mission Statement: Palm Springs is an inclusive world-class city dedicated to providing excellent and responsive public services to enhance the quality of life for current and future generations.

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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 4:00 p.m., Thursday, January 5, 2017. A courtesy website posting of the Agenda may be found at the City's website www.palmspringsca.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:

Any person who wishes to speak on a topic within the City's jurisdiction during this portion of the agenda must file a "Speaker Card" with the Staff Liaison BEFORE that portion of the agenda is called. [Three (3) minutes per speaker] Although the Commission values your comments, pursuant to the Brown Act, it generally cannot take any action on items not listed on the posted agenda, Commissioners will not enter into discussion with speakers, but during Commission Comments, may refer the matter to staff for report and recommendation at a future Commission meeting.

7. PRESENTATION:

Community Service Awards to be presented to –

- Lesley Zerebny, Palm Springs Police Officer, ultimate sacrifice, killed in line of duty in October 2016.
- Jose "Gil" Vega, Palm Springs Police Officer, ultimate sacrifice, killed in line of duty in October 2016.
- Bianca Rae, TV News Anchor, Philanthropist. Created the Bianca Rae foundation, becoming a voice for those cannot speak. She uniquely uses the voice she has through the media for those in need.
- Will Paige, Publisher Desert Daily Guide. Will has helped countless nonprofit organizations and equality events by promoting them in DDG, providing a voice for the disenfranchised with a platform to educate the community that serves as a resource for nonprofits across the Coachella Valley.
- Lisa Middleton, active Transgender community leader who works tirelessly building bridges within the community and promoting collaborative relationships between neighborhoods and citizens of Palm Springs.
- Some Fabulous Leos, provides fundraising and awareness for numerous nonprofit, equality and local charities and organizations.
- The Victory Squadron, a volunteer team from the Palm Springs Air Museum. Many being veterans, they volunteer their time to educate other on America's important past to archive precious documents and artifacts and to share stories that honor the brave people who fought to preserve our freedom.
- Negro Academic Scholarship Fund, fundraisers who provide scholarships for further education to numerous economically challenged students and families.
- Xavier College Preparatory High School, created a summit focusing on poverty in education, immigration, gender inequality and sustainability. Summit allows the entire Xavier community to reflect on realities which impact the world. Students participate in various processes and programs.

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT HRC MEETING:

14. ADJOURNMENT: The next regular Commission meeting will be Monday, March 13, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, City Hall, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs.

The Human Rights Commission regular meetings are aired on the City's PSCTV Channel 17 following the meeting on every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. and every Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

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Dale E. Cook, Jr., Community Development Administrator

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