

**Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes  
March 12, 2018**

**Present:** Hank Scherf, Brandon Jones Mark Leach, George Smith, Ron Dickson, Kai Martin, Alfred Banfield, Fred Baer, Jacob Pletcher, Ben Renda, Linda Meyer, and Francisco Oliva

**Absent:** Myra Weiher and Norman Aleman

**Staff:** Chief Deputy Counsel John Nibbelin and Ms. Selina Toy Lee, Director of Collaborative Community Outcomes.

**Public Comments by:** Dr. Britter and Ms. Therese Dyer

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<b>Meeting Called to order and pledge of allegiance recited</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pledge was led by Scout Mathew Mariani</li> <li>• Roll call taken.</li> </ul>	
<b>Approval of prior meeting minutes and Adoption of Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes from the January meeting were adopted. Agenda for tonight's meeting was approved.</li> </ul>	Meeting minutes amended and agenda approve.
<b>Public Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public comments given by two in the audience               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. Britter announced the success of their 3-day stand down. She also summarized the involvement of many organizations. Lastly, she announced they would be another stand down in 2019.</li> <li>○ Ms. Therese Dyer made remarks on how funds were being spent at Warriors foundation versus the libraries. She also noted needing assistance with VA forms. Commissioner Smith suggested visiting the CVSO.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	No additional actions or steps needed.

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<b>Veteran Commission Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Life Scout Matthew Mariani was recognized for his Eagle Scout project. Matthew provided details on the project from beginning to end.</li>   <li>• Mr. Brian Eggers provided details on the Vets@Home Initiative from HSA and other organizations working on ending veteran homelessness in the county. See handouts for more details.</li>   <li>• Millbrae Gateway Housing Project was discussed and once again supported by the Commission. The commission moved and approved to write a letter in support of the project and send to the City Council.</li>   <li>• Commission's Annual Report was discussed, topics included were the mentoring program, commission coin and veteran memorial. The report was approved. The Commission will look at revisiting its priorities. Also, two sub-committees were formed. Marketing group led by Commissioner Oliva and Mentoring group led by Chair Scherf.</li>   <li>• Nominations/Selection of Chair and Vice Chair: Commissioner Hank Scherf was nominated and voted as the Commission Chair. Commissioner Kai Martin was nominated and voted as the Commission Vice-Chair.</li>   <li>• Adopt-a-Unit 50 Year Celebration, Ms. Patrice Olds provided an overview and purpose behind the celebration. Commissioner Scherf encouraged all commissioner to attend.</li> </ul>	<p>Scout Mariana was recognized by the Veterans Commission and the Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>No additional actions or steps needed.</p> <p>Letter sent to City Council.</p> <p>Chair Scherf to present at the April 10<sup>th</sup> Board of Supervisors meeting.</p> <p>No additional actions or steps needed.</p> <p>No additional actions or steps needed.</p>
<b>Report from CVSO Liaison</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Selina Toy Lee, Director of Collaborate Community Outcomes provided the CVSO report in the absence of Mr. Norman Aleman. She also provided information on the upcoming Women Veteran Summit on May 16<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	<p>See attachment for report.</p>
<b>Announcements from Veterans Commissioners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No announcements were made.</li> </ul>	<p>No additional steps.</p>

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<b>Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.</li></ul>	Next Commission meeting is May 14, 2018 at 6:30pm