



**COUNTY OF SONOMA  
COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

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AGENDA FOR AUGUST 28, 2012 – 5:30 P.M.**

**Permit and Resource Management Department (PRMD) Hearing Room  
2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403**

		<b>PERSON</b>
<b>I.</b>	<b>CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS – MISSION STATEMENT</b>	Rice
<b>II.</b> 3 MIN	<b>CONSENT ITEMS</b> <u>Approval of Agenda</u> ( <i>Please review prior to meeting</i> ) ▪ Review and revise as appropriate.	Rice
3 MIN	<u>Approval of July 24, 2012 Commission Meeting Draft Minutes</u> ( <i>Please review prior to meeting</i> ) ▪ Review and revise as appropriate.	
<b>III.</b>	<b>PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS</b> ▪ Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per topic, unless otherwise noted.	Rice
<b>IV.</b> 2 MIN	<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	Rice
<b>V.</b> 10 MIN	<b>OPENINGS AND APPOINTMENTS</b> ▪ Information only. Report on openings and appointments. ▪ Administration of Oath of Office to new Commissioner(s); if appropriate.	Rice
<b>VI.</b> 5 MIN	<b>SUPERVISOR COMMUNICATION UPDATES</b> ▪ Commissioner reports on communications with their respective Supervisors.	Rice

**Instructions For The Public**

**Addressing the Commission:** Any member of the public desiring to address the Commission on a matter on the Agenda should first receive recognition from the Chair, please state your name and make comments. In order that all interested parties have the opportunity to speak, please be brief and limit comments to the subject under discussion. Time limitations shall be at the discretion of the Chair.

**Disabled Accommodation:** If you have a disability which requires an accommodation, an alternative format, or requires another person to assist you while attending this meeting, please contact the Commission's office by phone at (707) 565-2693 or by e-mail to [chr@sonoma-county.org](mailto:chr@sonoma-county.org), as soon as possible to ensure arrangements can be made for the accommodation.

**Agenda Supporting Materials:** Materials related to an item on the Agenda are available for public inspection between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM, Monday - Friday at 575 Administration Drive, Suite 116B, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

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<p><b>VII.</b></p> <p>30 MIN</p> <p>15 MIN</p>	<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p> <p><u>Speaker – Sonoma County District Attorney</u> District Attorney Jill Ravitch will address the Commission on the operation of the DA’s office and the Family Justice Center.</p> <p><u>Request for Resolution</u> Discussion and vote on Resolution to Recognize the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans’ Memorial Grove at Sonoma State University.</p>	<p>Zapata</p> <p>Rohde</p>
<p><b>VIII.</b></p> <p>10 MIN</p> <p>10 MIN</p> <p>15 MIN</p> <p>30 MIN</p>	<p><b>OLD BUSINESS</b></p> <p><u>Resolution on the AB1081 Trust Act</u> Update on actions and vetting process.</p> <p><u>Strategic Planning</u> Vote on date for 2012-2013 Strategic Planning</p> <p><u>Budget</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction and explanation of 2012-2013 budget with final approval slated for August meeting</li> <li>• Possible introduction of individual budget items</li> <li>• Short discussion re: t-shirts</li> </ul> <p><u>Updates from Offline Meetings of Ad Hoc Committees</u> Updates on goals and meetings for Ad Hoc, including approval of newly formed/blended committees and discussion of projected length of ad hoc:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sonoma CounterPoints #2 – Rice, Channell-Allen, Warmoth, Jonas</li> <li>• Economic Rights – Warmoth, Zimmer</li> <li>• Junior Commission – Rice, Cheatham, Rohde</li> <li>• Rights of undocumented workers and families – Warmoth, Jonas, Shaffer, and Zapata</li> <li>• Sonoma County Museum – Rice, Channell-Allen, Boyd, Ross</li> <li>• Tabling and Events – Warmoth, Boyd</li> </ul>	<p>Warmoth</p> <p>Rice</p> <p>Rice</p> <p>Various</p>
<p><b>IX.</b></p> <p>15 MINS</p>	<p><b>ACTIVITY REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT UPDATES NOT INCLUDED FOR POSSIBLE COMMISSION ACTION UNDER OLD OR NEW BUSINESS SECTIONS ABOVE. REPORTS ARE LIMITED TO FIVE (5) MINUTES, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED. ALL ITEMS IN THIS SECTION ARE FOR INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE DISCUSSION ONLY.</b></p> <p><u>Liaisons with Organizations &amp; Agencies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Family Justice Center Liaison</li> <li>▪ Cinco de Mayo Committee (SR)</li> <li>▪ Disability Issues Liaison</li> <li>▪ Human Trafficking Liaison</li> <li>▪ North Bay Organizing Project – Immigrant Task Force</li> </ul>	<p>Zapata</p> <p>Warmoth</p> <p>Zimmer</p> <p>Zimmer</p> <p>Jonas</p>

<b>X.</b> 3 MIN	<b>AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT COMMISSION MEETING</b> Call for items for information, discussion and/or possible action at the next Commission meeting.	Rice
<b>XI.</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT</b> Opportunity for public to comment on Commission proceedings. Unless otherwise noted comment is limited to two (2) minutes per topic.	Rice
<b>XII.</b>	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Rice

**Resolution to Recognize the 30th Anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans'  
Memorial Grove at Sonoma State University**

**Whereas**, we honor all those who have served our country in the armed forces;  
and

**Whereas**, many of those veterans returned with physical and/or mental disabilities; and

**Whereas**, many of those veterans returning from Vietnam faced discrimination due to their participation in the war; and

**Whereas**, during his speech given on the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the Vietnam War, President Obama remarked that the way Vietnam veterans were treated when they returned "was a national shame, a disgrace that should have never happened"; and

**Whereas**, "the purpose of the Commission is to promote better human relations between all people in Sonoma County";

**Therefore be it resolved**, the County of Sonoma Commission on Human Rights joins in the commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Grove at Sonoma State University on November 11, 2012.

## 2012-2013 Commission on Human Rights **DRAFT** Budget

ITEM	ALLOCATION
<b>Sonoma CounterPoints2</b> Graphics	500.00 <b>500.00</b>
<del><b>Sonoma CounterPoints3</b></del> <del>Venue</del> <del>Videographer</del> <del>Graphics Design (Flyer)</del> <del>Due to following security item, this event/budget item may have to be eliminated in its entirety</del>	<del>1200.00</del> <del>500.00</del> <del>500.00</del> <b>2500.00</b>
<b>Security for NCCP forum</b> <b>Bill from the County has already been received</b>	2685.22 <b>2685.22</b>
<b>Junior Commission</b> Diversity Summit Graphics (logo + flyer) Training for Junior Commissioners Possible Field Trip for Jr. Commissioners Supplies (Office supplies, nametags, cards, etc.)	750.00 1000.00 1200.00 500.00 <b>3450.00</b>
<b>Tabling</b> Supplies (T-Shirts (including new design)/Other Advertising, Entrance Fees)	1300.00 <b>1300.00</b>
<b>CHR Expenses</b> Expense Reimbursement (Mileage, supplies etc.) Catering (Team Building and Strategic Planning, etc.)	1250.00 775.00 <b>2025.00</b>
<b>Projected total expenditure of County-allocated budget</b>	<b>9960.22</b>

County of Sonoma—Commission on Human Rights  
Ad Hoc Committee on Economic Rights  
Position Statement

The committee believes that basic Economic Rights consist of adequate: *food, shelter, health care and education*. In order to create a vision for the future of economic rights in the County we propose the following steps:

a-we shall interview local government and community organizations currently providing these necessities to ascertain what is now being offered and whether those structures are adequate; we shall then

b-prepare a report about these programs and services for the Commission so that the Commission has a snapshot in time about how needs are being met now.

c-We then propose that a community conference be held with the organizations contacted, and other service programs, to consider what gaps need to be filled in these basic areas to further extend and enhance Economic Rights in the County.

We goal is to have this report concerning current Economic Rights programs ready by the end of this current 2012 calendar year for the Commission.

--Ann Zimmer  
--Art Warmoth

## Recommendations for CHR Tabling

1. We should establish a calendar for CHR tabling at events based on CHR priorities and the availability of commissioners.
2. Tabling should be organized according to the following guidelines:
  - When no table is provided by an event, we should rent.
  - We should eliminate the Hate Free Community handouts as they are pretty dated.
  - We should keep the handout on the CHR mission, with contact information kept up-to-date. We should include a list of active ad hoc committees, with contact information for the chair.
  - We should distribute copies of resolutions passed by the CHR for events up to six months after a resolution has been passed.
  - We should continue to hand out t-shirts, or some other useful item. T-shirt redesign is an options. Text on t-shirts should be bilingual.
3. The annual budget for tabling should include:
  - Rental for tables for events that do not provide tables
  - Printing costs for handouts
  - T-shirts, if the commission wants to continue to distribute t-shirts
  - A one-time cost for the redesign of t-shirts if the Commission wants to change the design.

--Art Warmoth

--Pat Boyd