



County of El Dorado

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
330 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667

Minutes - Final Veteran Affairs Commission

Todd Smith, District I – Alternate Vacant
Roger Reynolds, District II – Alternate Donna Mullens-Becker
Kurt Raffetto, District III – Alternate Stephanie Carlson
Ken Welch, District IV – Alternate Tim Thompson
Vacant, District V – Alternate Vacant
Jon Brown, VSO, Secretary Ex-Officio
Lauren Odell, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

Thursday, December 8, 2022

12:00 PM

<https://edcgov-us.zoom.us/j/91249101434>

**EDH Fire Station #85
1050 Wilson Blvd.
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION INSTRUCTIONS: The Commission meeting room will be open to the public. The meeting will continue to be live-streamed via Zoom.

Members of the public may address the Commission in-person or via Zoom to make a public comment. The public should call into 530-621-7603 or 530-621-7610. The Meeting ID is 912 4910 1434. Please note you will not be able to join the live-stream until the posted meeting start time.

To observe the live stream of the Commission meeting go to
<https://edcgov-us.zoom.us/j/91249101434>.

If you are joining the meeting via zoom and wish to make a comment on an item, press the "raise a hand" button. If you are joining the meeting by phone, press *9 to indicate a desire to make a comment. Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes.

By participating in this meeting, you acknowledge that you are being recorded.

If you choose not to observe the Commission meeting but wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment in writing. You are encouraged to submit your comment in writing by 4:00 PM on the Tuesday before the meeting to ensure the Commission has adequate time to review. Please submit your comment to the Clerk of the Board at edc.cob@edcgov.us. Your comment will be placed into the record and forwarded to Commission members.

PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be received at designated periods as called by the Commission Chair.

Individuals will have three minutes to address the Commission. Except with the consent of the Commission, individuals shall be allowed to speak to an item only once.

Individual Commission members may ask clarifying questions but will not engage in substantive dialogue with persons providing input to the Commission.

If a person providing input to the Commission creates a disruption by refusing to follow Commission guidelines, the Commission Chair may take the following actions:

Step 1. Request the person adhere to Commission guidelines. If the person refuses, the Commission Chair may turn off the speaker's microphone.

Step 2. If the disruption continues, the Commission Chair may order a recess of the Commission meeting.

Step 3. If the disruption continues, the Commission Chair may order the removal of the person from the Commission meeting.

CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Vice Chair Houseworth, Member Raffetto, Member Smith, Member Welch, Member Pratt, Alternate Mullens and Member Reynolds

Absent: 2 - Alternate Thompson and Alternate Carlson

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS AND WELCOME

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests separate action on a specific item including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the Agenda and the Consent Calendar for discussion. At the appropriate time as called by the Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to Commission action.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Commissioner Welch to Adopt the Agenda and Approve the Consent Calendar; seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion passes by vote 5-0.

Yes: 5 - Member Raffetto, Member Smith, Member Welch, Member Pratt and Member Reynolds

Absent: 2 - Alternate Thompson and Carlson

[22-1041](#)

The Clerk of the Board's office upon receipt of the El Dorado County Public Health Officer's recommendation, resulting from ongoing concerns related to COVID-19, approves the following finding pursuant to Government Code subsection 54953 (e)(3) in order to allow for the continued use of virtual or hybrid Veterans Affairs Commission meetings as authorized under Assembly Bill 361: Pursuant to Government Code subsections 54943 (e)(3)(A) and (e)(B)(ii), the Veterans Affairs Commission has reconsidered the circumstances of the Governor's proclaimed state of emergency resulting from COVID-19 and finds that the El Dorado County Public Health Officer continues to recommend measures to promote social distancing, as documented in the September 20, 2021 'Public Health Officer's Recommendations for Safe Board and Commission Meetings During COVID-19 Pandemic..

Attachments: [A - AB 361](#)

[B - El Dorado County PHO - Public Mtgs Recommendation AB 361](#)

Approved on the Consent Calendar

[22-2244](#)

Approval of Minutes from the regular meeting on November 10, 2022

Attachments: [DRAFT MINUTES Veterans Affairs Commission 11-10-22](#)

Approved on the Consent Calendar

[22-2247](#)

Approval of Commissioner November Mileage

Attachments: [November 22 MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT](#)

Approved on the Consent Calendar

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

EX-OFFICIO REPORT - RECEIVE AND FILE (Brown)

[23-0036](#)

Veteran Services Ex-Officio Report December 2022

Attachments: [Veterans Services Ex-officio Report December 2022](#)

COMMITTEE REPORTS - RECEIVED AND FILED

- TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax) (Raffetto/Houseworth)

Commissioner Raffetto presented the report from the TOT Committee which approved the following changes to their Mini-Grants:

- A. Grant Reports - provided by El Dorado Community Foundation, reviewed
- B. Operation Rebound funds usage and change request - approved change request and requesting reimbursement of \$174.09 to EDCF
- C. Arts & Culture El Dorado funds usage and change request - approved recall of \$5,000 awarded in FY21-22 cycle
- D. Cold Springs Church funds usage and change request - deferred
- E. Hearts Landing Ranch funds usage and change request - approved extension of usage to May 2023
- F. Sierra Community Access TV - approved change request

- RULES (Poimiroo/Houseworth) - No Report
 - SPECIAL COMMITTEE – HOUSING (Welch) Report presented
- LEGISLATIVE (Smith/Raffetto) No Report
- TRANSPORTATION (Thompson) No Report
- BUDGET (Houseworth/Reynolds) No Report; adding Commissioner Mullens-Becker to this committee
- EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT (Vacant) Commissioner Mullens-Becker will head this committee
- OUTREACH (Reynolds/Carlson) No Report

COMMUNICATIONS' REPORTS - RECEIVED AND FILED

D. Zelinsky; T. Whalen

- VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING – VETERANS HOUSE COUNCIL (Reynolds) Report presented
- AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE OFFICER (Zelinsky) Report presented/attached
- EDC VETERANS ALLIANCE (Poimiroo) Report presented
- VA VET CENTER/MILITARY FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP/EL DORADO VETERAN RESOURCES (Whalen) Report presented
- REGIONAL VETERAN EVENTS None

[23-0037](#)

American Legion Service Officer Report

Attachments: [American Legion Service Officer Report 12-3-22](#)

NEW BUSINESS

A. Elections of Chair and Vice Chair (January)

The current Chair and Vice Chair are retiring at the end of December. Per the bylaws, the Commission will elect Chair and Vice Chair officers at the first regular meeting of the year. Therefore, an interim Chair and interim Vice Chair needs to be approved to run the January meeting. Commissioner Welch was nominated to be Chair and Commissioner Smith was nominated to be Vice Chair.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt to appoint Commissioner Welch as Interim Chair and Commissioner Smith as Interim Vice Chair for the month of January; seconded by Commissioner Reynolds.

Yes: 5 - Member Raffetto, Member Smith, Member Welch, Member Pratt and Member Reynolds

Absent: 2 - Alternate Thompson and Carlson

B. Review of proposed meeting dates and locations for 2023

A motion was made by Commissioner Reynolds to approve the proposed list of dates and locations for the 2023 Veteran Affairs Commissioner meetings; seconded by Commissioner Pratt.

Yes: 5 - Member Raffetto, Member Smith, Member Welch, Member Pratt and Member Reynolds

Absent: 2 - Alternate Thompson and Carlson

[23-0038](#)

Proposed Veterans Affairs Commission Meeting Locations 2023

Attachments: [Proposed Veterans Affairs Commission Meeting Locations 2023](#)

GOOD OF THE ORDER (COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS)

J. Poimiroo; J. Pratt; K. Raffetto; P. Houseworth

OPEN FORUM

Open Forum is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Veteran Affairs Commission on subject matter that is not on their meeting agenda and within their jurisdiction. Public comments during Open Forum are limited to three minutes per person. The Commission Chair may limit public comment during Open Forum.

Daniel Job; Caleb Balbuena; John Hidahl; John Cook; Jody Pratt

NEXT MEETING LOCATION, DATE & TIME

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Board of Supervisors Meeting Room

330 Fair Lane, Building A

Placerville, CA 95667

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:18pm