

**Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2017**

Present: Hank Scherf, Mark Leach, George Smith, Lisa King, Jacob Pletcher, Francisco Oliva, Ron Dickson, and Kai Martin.

Absent: Edmund Bridges, Myra Weiher, Fred Baer, and Brandon Jones.

Staff: Chief Deputy Counsel John Nibbelin, Legislative Aide Marci Dragun, CVSO Norman Aleman, Selina Toy-Lee, Director HSA CCO

Public Comments by: NONE

Topic	Discussion	Action/Next Steps
Meeting Called to order and pledge of allegiance recited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commission Chairman Scherf, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. • Pledge recited. • Roll call taken. 	
Approval of prior meeting minutes and Adoption of Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes approved • Item C in section 5 was removed from the agenda at the request of Commissioner Dickson. • Ratified agenda approved. 	Meeting minutes and agenda approve.
Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Public Comments <p>Public and commission introductions</p>	
Veteran Commission Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selina Toy-Lee, Director Community Collaborative Outcomes, Human Services Agency provided a brief summary from the May 5th county stand down. Discussion followed to recognize all those that participated by volunteering and contributions made. • Department of Housing, Mr. Raymond Hodges, provided an update on VASH within the county, development, project status, jurisdiction, and the number of VASH vouchers allocated. • Chair Scherf provided an update of this year's County Veteran of the Year and announced the keynote speaker being Admiral James O. Ellis, Jr. (Ret.), U.S. Navy from the Annenberg Distinguished Fellow, Hoover Institution, and Stanford University. Chair Scherf urged for the Commission to get out and spread the word. 	<p>No additional actions or steps needed.</p> <p>See attached presentation.</p> <p>No additional actions or steps needed.</p>

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Report from CVSO Liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Norman Aleman provided the CVSO report. 	See attachment for report. CVSO to provide outreach plan at the next meeting.
Announcements from Veterans Commissioners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Scherf announced new employment for Commissioner Leach with Congresswoman Speier and to congratulate Commissioner Martin being promoted to Captain in the U.S. Navy • Carolyn Livengood announced the Memorial Day ceremony at the Golden Gate National Cemetery. 	
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm 	Next Commission meeting is July 10, 2017 at 6:30pm