



Commission on the Status of Women

**Commission on the Status of Women
Regular Meeting – November 15, 2023
DRAFT MINUTES**

The meeting convened at 7:00pm with Chairperson Marasovic presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: Marasovic, Posey, Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver, Simon

Absent:

Leave of Absence: Seshagiri, Goodwin, Boyd

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Comments from the Public

- Public attendance: 0
- Public comments: 0

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Action

Item # 1:

Presentation on Sex trafficking with Q and A. Discussion and Possible Action:

Presenters were available via zoom only was unable to be present. Chair will check the availability of presenters to be present at another meeting in 2024.

M/S/C:

Ayes:

Absent:

Leave of Absence:

Item # 2:

Approval of October 18, 2023 Minutes:

Minutes Approved

M/S/C: Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno

Ayes: Marasovic, Posey, Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver, Simon

Absent:

Leave of Absence: Seshagiri, Goodwin, Boyd

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Item # 2:

Approval of the Agenda:

Chair Marasovic motioned to defer item # 9, and take item #4 off the agenda.

Agenda Approved

M/S/C: Marasovic, Posey

Ayes: Marasovic, Posey, Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver, Simon

Absent:

Leave of Absence: Seshagiri, Goodwin, Boyd

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Item # 3:

Planning Schedule for 2024 Commission on the Status of Women Meetings. Discussion and Possible Action

Commission staff scheduled a meeting for January 17, 2024, and will plan the remainder of 2024 calendar at the January meeting.

M/S/C: Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver

Ayes: Marasovic, Posey, Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver, Simon

Absent:

Leave of Absence: Seshagiri, Goodwin, Boyd

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Item # 4:

Discussion on Planning Approach towards a Recommendation on Sex Trafficking in Berkeley. Discussion and Possible Action.

Commission Chair defer this item to another meeting which has not been determined at this time.

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Item # 5:

Discussion on Addressing Safety for Older Women. Discussion and Possible Action.

Commission Chair Marasovic will make revisions as suggested by commissioners and provide the document to the Commission Secretary to be forwarded to the appropriate department.

M/S/C: Marasovic, Arora

Ayes: Marasovic, Posey, Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver, Simon

Absent:

Leave of Absence: Seshagiri, Goodwin, Boyd

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Item # 6:

Finalize Work Plan. Discussion and Possible Action.

Commission Chair Marasovic will make revisions as suggested by commissioners and provide the document to the Commission Secretary to be forwarded to the appropriate department.

M/S/C: Marasovic, Arora

Ayes: Marasovic, Posey, Arora, Ortiz-Cedeno, Oliver, Simon

Absent:

Leave of Absence: Seshagiri, Goodwin, Boyd

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

**Okeya Vance-Dozier, Secretary
Commission on the Status of Women**