

**MEETING MINUTES
VETERANS COMMISSION
December 14, 2016 - 4:00 PM
El Cajon City Hall – 5th Floor Conference Room
200 Civic Center Way, El Cajon, CA 92020**

CALL TO ORDER

Veterans Commission Chair Clark calls the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – OBSERVANCE OF A MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL X Clark X Dano Dunlap X Glover Kagan

MINUTES

October 19, 2016 meeting minutes review, motion to approve carries unanimously.

AGENDA CHANGES

None

SPECIAL ACTION ITEM

1. **POW/MIA Flag at Veterans Flagpole (Clark & RSM Carson)** – Discussion and review of flag status, Prescott Promenade “Welcome Home” memorial and recommendation of half-staff flag status for Jon Glenn memorial. Motion by Commissioner Dano to accept a donated flag and procure a new pole and POW/MIA flag for obelisk tabled to a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATION

1. **Teressa Vaughn, MPT with the Sharp Healthcare Organization** – Ms. Vaughn discussed her organization’s services and offerings in the area of Advance Care Planning with particular emphasis in Veterans services.

OLD ACTION ITEMS

1. **Veterans Day Event, November 11 - Review (Kagan & Dunlap)** – Tabled for February Meeting.
2. **Veteran of the Year Award - Review (Glover & RSM Carson)** – Discussion and review regarding the Veteran of the Year Award (VOY) to Ray Moody to take place at the Veterans Day celebration and City Council meeting. Comment regarding state notification of VOY and honoree placement at City Council meeting to promote visibility.
3. **New Veterans Memorial proposed in Prescott Promenade (Glover)** – Review and discussion of a new Veterans Memorial proposed for Prescott Promenade.
4. **Commission Role and Direction (Clark)**
 - a. **Current Trends**
 - b. **Identifying Local Needs**
 - c. **Identifying a Local / Annual Project**

NEW ACTION ITEMS

1. **None**

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INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Applications for Veterans Commission Members** – RSM Carson informed the Commission of City Council vote to reopen application to fill the two vacating Veterans Commission seats.
2. **Kaboom! playground at Crisis House** – RSM Carson provided information regarding the Kaboom! playground build at Crisis House which included 40 Navy Chiefs for prep day and 60 Navy Chiefs for build day.

SCHEDULE NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING

1. **February 2017 after the new and/or returning Commissioners are (re)appointed (Chair Clark)** – Motion carried to calendar next meeting for February 16, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in a TBD location.

FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

1. **Commissioner Glover and RSM Carson to research and add the Promenade Veterans Memorial discussion to February meeting.**

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 16, 2017 @ 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 5:18 p.m. by Chair Clark, seconded by Commissioner Glover, carries unanimously.