

CITY OF FRESNO

WOMEN'S COMMISSION

City of Fresno Women's Commission Minutes
Thursday, March 22, 2023, 8:00 am

1. **Call to Order:** 8:16 am.

2. **Roll Call:**

- a. D1 - Laura E. Ward - PRESENT
- b. D2 - Vacant
- c. D3 - Guadalupe Cazarez - PRESENT
- d. D4 – Vacant
- e. D5 - Leonela A. Harari - ABSENT
- f. D6 - Stefanie M. Diaz - PRESENT
- g. D7 - Aida S. Macedo - PRESENT

3. **Approval of Agenda:**

- a. Commissioner Aida Macedo motion to approve, Commissioner Stefanie Diaz
Second, unanimously approved. 8:16am

4. **Approval of Minutes – March 9, 2023**

- a. Any Objections
 - 1. Spelling Corrections made
- b. Commissioner Aida Macedo Motion, seconded by Commissioner Guadalupe Cazarez; Unanimously Approved 8:18am

5. **Discussion of Black Maternal Health Week**

. Commissioner Laura Ward, discusses Health Fair event on April 15th and attending to let people know about Women's Commission from 11am-3pm.

- a. Commissioner Aida Macedo raises question, would we be able to buy donation items by then? Yes, \$25,000 of City general fund allocation have not been used
- b. Motion by Commissioner Aida A. Macedo to attend the event and should allocate budget on how much they want to spend on donation items
- c. Commissioner Laura Ward asks if they should spend all on donation items and figure out the rest, Commissioner Aida Macedo states that funds should be spent primarily on the feminine hygiene project.
- d. Commissioner Laura Ward asks if there are any other projects in mind for the funds?

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- e. Commissioner Aida motions to approve attendance of event and will pay with Women's Commission funds to attend, Commissioner Cazares seconds; Motion passes unanimously.

8:27am

- f. Commissioner Laura Ward motions to use \$500 of funds for purchasing promotional materials for Women's Commission, Commissioner Diaz seconds; Motion passes unanimously.

8:43am

6. Discussion of the Scholarship Program

. Commissioner Laura Ward raises issue that one of the high school applicants is actually a college student which would not comply with the bodies previous decision to award to a limited amount of each scholarship by grade level.

- a. Commissioner Ward moves to redesignate scholarship to a high school student.

Commissioner Guadalupe Cazarez seconds. Motion passes unanimously. 8:46am

- b. Staff informs County of Fresno Women's Commission volunteered to donate \$7,500 and MidValley volunteered to donate \$2,500.

- c. Commissioner Aida Macedo does not think that we need to reopen application period to award additional scholarships, instead would like to award more scholarships to those who have already applied.

- d. Commissioner Laura Ward proposes body pick next 20 people for scholarship awards. Commissioner Stefanie Diaz volunteered to select the final 20 recipients.

- e. Commissioner Aida Macedo will select 15 recipients to award scholarships from her personal business Cid and Macedo.

- f. Commissioner Laura Ward makes motion to approve the selections, Commissioner Stefanie Diaz seconds; Motion unanimously passes. 8:59am

- g. Motion to invite the Fresno County Women's Commission and MidValley Disposal by Commissioner Laura Ward, second by Stefanie Diaz; Motion unanimously passes. 9:01am

7. Public Comment

8. Adjournment

- a. Move to adjourn by Commissioner Laura Ward and second by Commissioner Aida Macedo; unanimously approved 9:05am

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