



# Agenda

## Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs

**Date:** October 22, 2018

**Time:** 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

**Location:** Room 248, Tacoma Municipal Building (747 Market Street, Tacoma, WA 98402)

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- I. **Call Meeting to Order** – Chair Mok
- II. **Land Acknowledgment** – Chair Mok
  - a. The Commission acknowledges the meeting is conducted on Indigenous land: the traditional homelands of the Puyallup people.
- III. **Record of Attendance and Excusal of Absences** – Chair Mok

<input type="checkbox"/> Jefferson Mok (Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Diana Parra (Vice- Chair)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Saiyare Refaei	<input type="checkbox"/> Alma Vargas
<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Ramos	<input type="checkbox"/> Clara Zamalloa
- IV. **Consent on Agendas** – Vice-Chair Parra
  - a. Approval of Meeting Agenda (Yay/Nay Votes)
- V. **City Staff Updates**
  - a. Status of Human Rights Commission resolution
  - b. Public Charge rules change
    - i. What should our Commission know?
    - ii. What are our options to work with City Council to oppose this change?
- VI. **Updates – Chair, with full Commission reporting**
  - a. Community Updates
  - b. Discussion of Associated Students of Pacific Lutheran University’s bill regarding the NW Detention Center – Commissioner Refaei
- VII. **General Business** – Chair and Vice Chair, with full Commission
  - a. Committee Reports
    1. Community Engagement
      - a. Presentation of Committee officers, meeting details, structure, and purpose statement.
      - b. Update on activities and needs for input from Commission
    2. Governance
      - a. Presentation of Committee officers, meeting details, structure, and purpose statement.
      - b. Update on activities and needs for input from Commission

**Commissioners:**

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3. Language Access
  - a. Presentation of Committee officers, meeting details, structure, and purpose statement.
  - b. Update on activities and needs for input from Commission
4. Northwest Detention Center
  - a. Presentation of Committee officers, meeting details, structure, and purpose statement.
  - b. Update on activities and needs for input from Commission
5. Law Enforcement/Public Safety
  - a. Presentation of Committee officers, meeting details, structure, and purpose statement.
  - b. Update on activities and needs for input from Commission

**VIII. Items for Next Meeting**

- a. Please prepare your thoughts and ideas regarding this Commission’s position regarding the NW Detention Center and what actions we might want to take (for example, we could join with the PLU students resolution or prepare our own.)

**IX. Adjourn**


**Meeting Notes and Reminders**

- Regular Meetings Frequency: **Fourth** Monday of every Month at 5:30 pm
- There is no meetings (Commission and Committee) being held in December

**Why do we recognize the land?**

To recognize the land is an expression of gratitude and appreciation to those whose territory you reside on, and a way of honoring the Indigenous people who have been living and working on the land from time immemorial. It is important to understand the long-standing history that has brought you to reside on the land, and to seek to understand your place within that history. Land acknowledgements do not exist in a past tense, or historical context: colonialism is a current ongoing process, and we need to build our mindfulness of our present participation. It is also worth noting that acknowledging the land is Indigenous protocol.

–<http://www.lspirg.org/knowtheland>

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