



Agenda

Commission on Immigrant and Refugee Affairs

Date: June 24, 2019

Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

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

I. Call Meeting to Order – Chair Mok

II. Statement of Purpose – Chair Mok

We convene this meeting to advance the City of Tacoma’s mission to “reducing barriers to access and participation in Tacoma’s economic, cultural, and civic life for immigrants and refugees.” This Commission aspires to help “make the City more vibrant, inclusive, and welcoming for all.”

III. Land Acknowledgment – Chair Mok

The Commission acknowledges that the meeting is being conducted on Indigenous lands of the Puyallup People, who cared for their ancestral lands before the Medicine Creek Treaty of 1854 removed native peoples to clear way for colonial settlement. It is important to this Commission as settlers here, aspiring to care for immigrants and refugees in this place and to call it home, that we acknowledge and send gratitude to the Puyallup Tribe of Indians who continue to be leaders for justice in our community today.

IV. Pride Month Acknowledgement – Vice-Chair Parra

V. Record of Attendance and Excusal of Absences – Chair Mok

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| ___ Jefferson Mok (Chair) | ___ Diana Parra (Vice- Chair) |
| ___ Vaelupemaua Anitema | ___ Silong Chhun |
| ___ Perla Gamboa | ___ Jason Gamboa |
| ___ Hieu Nguyen | ___ Saiyare Refaei |
| ___ Alma Vargas | ___ Clara Zamalloa |

VI. Consent on Agendas – Vice-Chair Parra

- a. Approval of Meeting Agenda (Yay/Nay Votes)
- b. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Yay/Nay Votes)

VII. Commission Updates – Chair & Vice Chair

- a. Census 2020 Task Force update – Chair Mok
- b. Julie Anderson, Pierce County Auditor
- c. Latasha Ware, Junior Management Fellow, City of Tacoma – Welcoming Week
- d. Commissioner Updates

Commissioners

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