Human Relations Commission Agenda

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General Order of Business

1. Secretary Check for Quorum
2. Call to order – 7:00 p.m.
3. Roll call
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Oral Communications
6. Written Communications
7. Announcements
8. Consent Items
9. Old Business
10. New Business
11. Commission Referrals
12. Committee Reports
13. Staff Reports
14. Referral to Staff
15. Adjournment

Order of Discussion

Generally, the order of discussion after introduction of an item by the Chair will include comments and information by staff followed by Human Relations Commissions questions, inquiries or discussion. The applicant, authorized representative, or interested citizens may then speak on the item. At the close of public discussion, the item will be considered by the Commission and action taken.

Oral Communications

Any person desiring to speak on a matter which is not scheduled on this agenda may do so under Oral Communications. The Human Relations Commission will take no action on an item which does not appear on the agenda. The item may be agendized for the next regular meeting or at a special meeting called in accordance with the terms of the Brown Act. The Human Relations Commission may establish time limits of presentations.

Information about the City or items scheduled on the Agenda may be referred to:

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Fremont, CA 94538  Fremont, CA 94538
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Your interest in the conduct of your City’s business is appreciated.
Human Relations Commission

Dharminder Dewan - Chair
Tejinder Dhami
Dyesha Gardner
Dr. Sonia Khan
Martin H. Kludjian
Patricia Montejano – Vice-Chair
Julie Moore
Shobana Ramamurthi

City Staff

Suzanne Shenfil, Human Services Director
Arquimides Caldera, Deputy Human Services Director
Noelle Tolentino, Recording Secretary

Mission Statement

The City of Fremont’s Human Relations Commission (HRC) strives to prevent discrimination and ensure that the rights of all individuals and groups in Fremont are protected under the law. The HRC promotes, supports, and helps create a compassionate community environment where diversity is honored and respected, neighbors reach out and support each other, and the most vulnerable receive services; to allow all a high quality of life in a community where we live, learn, work, and play in peace and harmony.
AGENDA
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021
7:00 PM

1. SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ROLL CALL

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

   4.1 Approval of April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes (Enclosure 4.1.1)

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

   6.1 May 25, 2021 CAHRO Convening on pending California hate crimes legislation (AB 1126 and AB57). Commissioners may volunteer to attend and report back.

      Enclosure: 6.1.1 – CAHRO convening flyer

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS


      Enclosure: 7.1.1 - Open Letter to the Fremont Community

CONSENT ITEMS

8.1 Attendance Summary (Enclosure 8.1.1)

8.2 Calendar of HRC regular/special meetings and events. (Enclosure 8.2.1)

9. OLD BUSINESS

   9.1 Review Election Rules

      BACKGROUND:
Position: Chairperson. On April 19, 2021, the Commission voted to amend Article II of the HRC Rules and Regulations regarding Chairperson election rules and term limits, to read as follows:

(a) No Chairperson who has served terms comprising two consecutive years as chairperson shall be qualified for further service in that office until they have a break in service in that office of at least one year.

(b) Time spent in office of Chairperson while serving less than a full term shall not be counted in computing consecutive years in any office.

(c) The Nominating Committee shall contact all eligible Commissioners to assess their interest in being nominated as Chairperson. All eligible Commissioners may contact the Nominating Committee to express their interest in being nominated as Chairperson.

Enclosure: 9.1.1 - Rule & Regulations of HRC (includes the approved amendments)

Position: Vice-Chairperson. Historically, the HRC office of Vice-Chair has been nominated by the Nominating Committee and voted on by the Commission in the same manner as the Chair. While Article II does not refer to the Vice-Chair position, historically, the HRC has limited Vice-Chairperson terms to two consecutive years, with the ability to serve as Vice-Chairperson after a 1-year break.

On April 19, 2021, the Commission voted to direct staff to re-present the existing staff options at their May meeting and include a third option that would make the office of Vice-Chair a 1-year rotational position.

Option 1: The office of Vice-Chair will remain a nominated and elected position. This option would allow a commissioner to be nominated for Vice-Chairperson without term limits.

Option 2: The office of Vice-Chair will remain a nominated and elected position. This option would recommend term limits:

a) No Vice-Chairperson who has served terms comprising two consecutive years as Vice-Chairperson shall be qualified for further service in that office until they have a break in service in that office of at least one year.

b) Time spent in the office of Vice-Chairperson while serving less than a full term shall not be counted in computing consecutive years in any office.
Option 3: Adopt a rotational model for the position of Vice-Chairperson, where each Commissioner would serve as the Vice Chairperson for 1 year, with the order of selection based on two criteria:

a) Seniority of years served on the Commission, and

b) The purpose and goal of this option would be to provide all Commissioners with leadership opportunities. Thus, the order of selection would also prioritize Commissioners that had not previously served as Vice-Chair.

c) Time spent in the office of Vice-Chairperson while serving less than a full term shall not be counted in computing years in the office.

d) A Commissioner could decline the office, in which case the order of selection would proceed to the next Commissioner in the order.

Table 9.1.1 below illustrates how this model would be applied to calendar year 2022 based on the recommended criteria. Commissioner Dhami, as the longest-serving Commissioner that has not served as Vice-Chair would be selected first, followed by Commissioners Ramamurthi, Kludjian, Jr., and Gardner, in that order.

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Enclosure: 9.1.2 – Draft HRC Rules and Regs with May 2021 Amendments

RECOMMENDATION: Review the three options for the nomination or selection or the office of Vice-Chair. Open the floor the comments. Vote on election rules to adopt.

9.2 Strategic Planning Retreat Dates

BACKGROUND: A doodle poll to choose the two dates for the Strategic Planning Retreat was emailed on 5/7/21. The first date will be an in-person meeting and the second date will be a virtual meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: Vote and finalize retreat dates.

10. NEW BUSINESS (Items on which the Commission has not yet had an agendized discussion or taken action)

10.1 Daily Bowl

BACKGROUND: Daily Bowl is a 501(C)3 nonprofit founded in 2016 by Paddy Iyer, who wanted to address the growing problem of hunger in local communities. Daily Bowl’s mission is to recover edible food that would otherwise go to waste and deliver it to local agencies to feed needy families.

Daily Bowl is a current Social Service Grantee and receives $6,294 from the City. At the March 2021 HRC regular meeting, Commissioners directed staff to invite Daily Bowl to present on their work.

Enclosure: 10.1.1 – Daily Bowl ppt

RECOMMENDATION: Receive presentation.

10.2 Youth Mental Health Awareness Art Show

Chairperson Dewan and Commissioner Kludjian participated on the judging panel to choose the Art Show finalists and winners.

E-enclosure: https://fremont.gov/2275/Events

RECOMMENDATION: Review Art Show winner contributions and have Commissioners report on the selection process.

10.3 Legislative Priorities Process for City Council’s Annual Focus

BACKGROUND: At the April 2021 HRC regular meeting, the Commission requested staff to provide information on how the HRC could be more
involved with the City Council in terms of legislative priorities. Amanda Gallo, the City’s legislative liaison in the City Manager’s Office has provided a written summary of the annual process for the adoption of the Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities and action taken throughout the Legislative Cycle. Also enclosed are the adopted 2021 Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities and the presentation to Council from March 16, 2021.

**City of Fremont Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities**

The Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities represent a broad framework for the City’s legislative interests at the federal, state and regional levels. Each legislative priority includes policy statements that articulate the City’s legislative goals by addressing major areas of interest. Throughout the respective document year, City staff work on supporting efforts that align with these goals. The document is updated annually, and any changes must be formally adopted by the City Council. The City’s Legislative Principles and Priorities statements are organized under the following categories:

- COVID-19 Response and Recovery
- Community and Economic Development
- Public Safety
- Revenue, Taxation and Telecommunication
- Transportation and Infrastructure
- Community and Human Services
- Environment
- Administration and Employee Relations

**Annual Process to approve City of Fremont Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities**

1. City staff works with its legislative advocates at the federal and state level, as well as its legislative partner organizations to review interests at the federal and state level and organizations designated legislative priorities.

   - The City of Fremont is a member of legislative organizations, such as: League of California Cities (League), National League of Cities (NLC), United States Conference of Mayors (USCM), Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), California Fire Chiefs Association, California Park and Recreation Society, California Peace Officers Association, California Police Chiefs Association, Silicon Valley Leadership Group, and Joint Venture Silicon Valley.

   - The City of Fremont maintains contracts to assist with direct legislative advocacy at the state and federal levels: Holland and Knight, represents the City’s interest in Washington, D.C. and Townsend Public Affairs, in Sacramento.
2. City staff recommend department specific information on legislative areas of interest to be included in the upcoming framework.
3. City staff schedules a presentation to the City Council to review, discuss, and approve the Legislative Principles and Priorities.
4. City staff work with legislative advocates to provide a copy of approved Legislative Principles and Priorities to Fremont elected representatives and their staff.

20-21 Legislative Cycle

- Based on the adopted Legislative Principles and Priorities, City Staff works with its legislative advocates and City Leadership Team to maintain a matrix of bills that are monitored at the state and federal level.
- City staff participates in regular communication about “hot bills” and issues with League of California Cities, partner organizations, and department staff.
- City staff maintains a contract with Holland and Knight for legislative advocacy services in Washington, D.C.
- City staff Maintain a contract with Townsend Public Affairs for legislative advocacy services in the CA Legislature.
- Throughout the legislative cycle, staff monitors and prepares letters of support and opposition for the Mayor to sign that are consistent with the City’s Legislative Principles and Priorities.
- All bills in the 20-21 Legislative Cycle must be signed by the Governor by October 10, 2021.

Enclosures: 10.3.1 – Summary of Legislative Process
10.3.2 - 2021 Legislative Presentation

RECOMMENDATION: Receive information.

11. COMMISSION REFERRALS (Referrals from the City Council to the Commission)

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 Financial Resources Committee to fund HRC sponsored events

COMMITTEE BACKGROUND: Vice Chairperson Montejano, Commissioner Moore and Commissioner Ramamurthi work to create and implement a sustainable fundraising strategy for HRC sponsored events.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive update and take action as needed.
12.2 LGBTQ Committee

**COMMITTEE BACKGROUND:** Chairperson Dewan, Commissioner Dhami and Commissioner Kludjian sit on the LGBTQ Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive updates and take action as needed.

12.3 Ad Hoc Committee Reports

12.3.1 Strategic Plan Committee

**COMMITTEE BACKGROUND:** Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioner Dhami and Commissioner Gardner

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive updates and take action as needed.

12.4 Liaison Reports

12.4.1 Union City HRC: Commissioner Moore is the HRC’s liaison for the Union City HRC.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive update.

12.4.2 Family Resource Center Community Advisory and Engagement Board (FRC CAEB): Chairperson Dewan is the HRC’s liaison for the FRC CAEB.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive update.

12.4.3 Fremont Unified School District (FUSD): Commissioner Khan is the HRC’s liaison for FUSD.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive update.

13. **STAFF REPORTS**

13.1 Emergency Rental Assistance Program update

13.2 Safe Parking Update – Safe Parking Ordinance was proposed to the Planning Commission on May 13, 2021.

14. **REFERRALS TO STAFF** (a request to have items placed on a future Commission agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without consideration).

15. **ADJOURNMENT**
MINUTES
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021
7:00 PM

1. SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ROLL CALL

   Present: Chairperson Dewan, Vice Chairperson Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Kludjian, Moore and Ramamurthi

   Commissioner Khan joined the meeting at 7:04pm.

   Staff Present: Director Shenfil, Deputy Director Caldera, Recording Secretary Tolentino

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

   A motion was made by Commissioner Kludjian and seconded by Commissioner Moore to approve March 15, 2021 minutes. The motion passed as follows:

   Ayes: Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi
   Noes: None
   Absent: Commissioner Khan
   Abstain: None

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

8. CONSENT ITEMS

   8.1 Attendance Summary (Enclosure 8.1.1)
   8.2 Calendar of HRC regular/special meetings and events. (Enclosure 8.2.1)

   A motion was made by Commissioner Dhami and seconded by Vice-Chairperson Montejano to approve consent items. The motion passed as follows:

   Ayes: Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Khan, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi
   Noes: None
   Absent: None
   Abstain: None
9. OLD BUSINESS

9.1 Review Election Rules

Staff proposed amendments to Article II of the HRC Rules and Regulations to clarify the HRC Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson election rules and term limits. Staff proposed Chairperson election rule amendments based on current City Council/Mayor election rules.

A motion was made by Chairperson Dewan and seconded by Commissioner Moore to amend Article II of the HRC Rules and Regulations regarding a Chairperson’s term limits as recommended by staff:

(a) No chairperson who has served terms comprising two consecutive years as chairperson shall be qualified for further service in that office until they have a break in service in that office of at least one year.

(d) Time spent in office of Chairperson while serving less than a full term shall not be counted in computing consecutive years in any office.

The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi

Noes: Commissioner Khan

Absent: None

Abstain: None

The Commission also directed staff to amend Article II to include rules that 1) the nominating committee shall contact all eligible Commissioners to assess their interest in being nominated as Chairperson, and 2) All Commissioners may contact the Nominating Committee to express their interest in being nominated as Chairperson.

Staff presented the following proposed Vice Chairperson election rules to the Commission. The proposed language changes are meant to create more clarity to the election rules.

Position: Vice-Chairperson

Historically, the HRC has limited Vice-Chairperson terms to two consecutive years, with the ability to serve as Vice-Chairperson after a 1-year break. For the office of Vice-Chairperson, staff provided two options:

Option 1: Allow a commissioner to be nominated for Vice-Chairperson without term limits.

Option 2: Mirror staff’s recommended term limits for the Chairperson:
(a) No Vice-Chairperson who has served terms comprising two consecutive years as Vice-Chairperson shall be qualified for further service in that office until they have a break in service in that office of at least one year.

(b) Time spent in the office of Vice-Chairperson while serving less than a full term shall not be counted in computing consecutive years in any office.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Khan and seconded by Commissioner Ramamurthi to direct staff to re-present the existing staff options at the May HRC meeting and add a third option that would make the office of Vice-Chair a 1-year rotational position, whereby each Commissioner would serve as Vice Chair for 1 year.*

*The motion passed as follows:*

Ayes: Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Khan, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Commissioner Gardner

9.2 Strategic Planning for HRC Retreat

Staff presented the HRC Planning Retreat Schedule and the following focus question that was drafted by the members of the Strategic Planning Committee (Vice Chairperson Montejano and Commissioner Dhami):

“What community needs/issues will the Commission address in FY 21/22 and FY 22/23 which will help support and sustain Fremont’s (diverse and/or most vulnerable) community members and build resiliency in Fremont as we come out of the pandemic, strategically based on opportunities and Commissioners interests and strengths?”

The Strategic Planning Committee suggested to have the retreat divided into two days. Chairperson Dewan suggested to have a one-week break in between the two days to allow the Commissioners time to think over ideas/plans proposed on the first retreat day, then revisit and discuss more on the second retreat day.

A second doodle poll will be sent out to the Commissioners for votes on July dates.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Kludjian and seconded by Commissioner Montejano to approve the suggested focus question and plan retreat schedule as presented. The motion passed as follows:*

Ayes: Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Khan, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None
10. **NEW BUSINESS** (Items on which the Commission has not yet had an agendized discussion or taken action)

10.1 **Mental Health Association for Chinese Communities (MHACC)**

Elaine Peng (MHACC founder) and Janet Lin (MHACC past board member) presented the work of their organization and discussed the impacts the recent Anti-Asian incidents have had on their services.

MHACC focuses on improving the quality of life for individuals who are experiencing depression and mental illness. Grants received from the HRC are used towards support group and service offerings in English, Mandarin, and Cantonese. Their services also help prevent any breakdowns and suicides for victims of hate crimes. MHACC’s goal is to improve the quality of life for these individuals and their families.

Elaine asked the HRC for help with educating the community about the history of Asia to make people more aware of these cultures. Dr. Khan offered her assistance as the FUSD liaison to connect them with the school district for a wider reach. Commissioner Khan also suggested working with the library to help educate the adult community regarding the Asian culture to help people who may be unaware.

10.2 **Attacks targeting Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) Community**

Staff recommended the HRC write an open letter to the community in response to the City Council’s recent resolution. The letter would be published in the Tri-City Voice.

Commissioners suggested to have the letter and the hate crime brochure translated into multiple languages and include a reference to Fremont’s status as a Compassionate Sanctuary City the letter.

*A motion was made by Chair Dewan and seconded by Commissioner Kludjian to approve the letter as presented with the addition of stating that Fremont is a Compassionate Sanctuary City. The motion passed as follows:*

| Ayes: | Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Khan, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi |
| Noes: | None |
| Absent: | None |
| Abstain: | None |

11. **COMMISSION REFERRALS** (Referrals from the City Council to the Commission): None

12. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

12.1 **Financial Resources Committee to fund HRC sponsored events**

No updates.

12.2 **LGBTQ Committee**

Committee met on 4/1/21 and discussed possible participation in the San Francisco, Oakland, and Silicon Valley Pride events in June. Details to come once more
information is announced for these events. The Committee decided to remain as a standing committee and will now meet every other month on the first Thursday. These meetings have been added to the 2021 HRC Calendar.

12.3 Ad Hoc Committee Reports

12.3.1 Strategic Plan Committee
Committee met on 4/16/21 to discuss the retreat schedule and focus question. See Item 9.2 on this agenda for more details.

12.4 Liaison Reports

12.4.1 Union City HRC:
Commissioner Moore reached out as the new liaison. Commissioner Moore and the Unity City HRC will discuss how this partnership will work moving forward. At their 4/28/21 meeting, the Union City HRC will decide on their response to the recent AAPI attacks.

12.4.2 FRC Community Advisory and Engagement Board (CAEB):
On 3/16/21, Annie Bailey presented on the Tobacco Grant and YFS services.

12.4.3 Fremont Unified School District (FUSD)
FUSD will not reopen until the Fall 2021. Procedures for a safe return to schools is still in the works. The district is planning to resume in-person classes with the option for virtual classes and offering remedial/catch up classes.

13. STAFF REPORTS

13.1 Keep Fremont Housed (KFH) Update
KFH officially opened on 4/1/21. Staff has received over 600 applications; of that number a high percentage are clients in the 50% median or below. We are currently targeting lower income households first. KFH is partnering with other organizations to offer assisters in more languages other than English. In June, this program will start using funds provided by the State.

13.2 Safe Parking Updates
For the past month, the Human Services Department along with the Community Development Department have met with 10 faith leaders in the community to discussed details of this program and how we can partner together. A draft ordinance was discussed as well as any concerns that could arise. Last week, representatives from the Rotating Safe Car Park (RSCP) program in Saratoga shared their insight and experience with their program. RSCP has had a successful program for the past three years with vital partnerships with the City of Saratoga, County Sheriff’s, and many other nonprofits. The ordinance for our proposed Safe Parking program will be presented to the Planning Commission on 5/13/21, then to the City Council on 6/1/21 with the full proposal.
14. **REFERRALS TO STAFF** (a request to have items placed on a future Commission agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without consideration).

Commissioner Khan requested that the HRC be more involved with the City Council in terms of legislative priorities focused on yearly. Director Shenfil informed the HRC that Amanda Gallo from the City Manager’s Office is Fremont’s legislative liaison. Chair Dewan asked to invite Amanda to the May meeting to inform the Commission how they can be involved with this process.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Montejano and seconded by Commissioner Dhami to adjourn meeting at 9:58pm. The motion passed as follows:

- **Ayes:** Chair Dewan, Vice Chair Montejano, Commissioners Dhami, Gardner, Khan, Kludjian, Moore, and Ramamurthi
- **Noes:** None
- **Absent:** None
- **Abstain:** None
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Hate Crimes Legislation

Experts will be discussing AB57 & AB1126 plus others

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When: May 25, 2021
Time: 1 - 2:30 P.M.
Where: Via Zoom

Register at: https://forms.gle/zYqawvUiGJQQiYuu5
Registration closes on Monday, 5/24 @ 5 P.M.

For more information, email norma@ochumanrelations.org
April 26, 2021

Open Letter to the Fremont Community

Dear Fremont Community,

On February 16, 2021, in response to the recent rise in hate acts and rhetoric directed at Asian Pacific Islander community members, the Fremont City Council passed a resolution “DENOUNCING XENOPHOBIA AND ANTI-ASIAN RACISM ARISING DUE TO FEARS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND AFFIRMING THE CITY OF FREMONT’S COMMITMENT TO THE WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES.”

The Human Relations Commission (HRC) would like to thank Mayor Lily Mei, Vice-Mayor Yang Shao and Council Members Teresa Keng, Rick Jones, Jenny Kassan, Raj Salwan, and Teresa Cox for passing this resolution. The Human Relations Commission stands in solidarity with the City Council and applauds this action.

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We would also like to remind the community that in March 2017, the City Council reaffirmed and proclaimed Fremont’s status as a Compassionate Sanctuary City and that the City has zero tolerance of prejudice, racism, bigotry, hatred, and violence. If you experience or observe an act of hate, there are several ways to contact the Fremont Police department, including:

- 911 – if you are in immediate danger and need to report an emergency
- (510) 790-6800 and select option 3 – for non-urgent matters and incidents
- (510) 494-4856 – silent witness hotline
- Text a tip by typing ‘Tip FremontPD’ followed by your message to 888777

The HRC and Police Department have compiled these resources, plus additional resources here: https://www.fremont.gov/hatecrime

Regards,

Dharminder Dewan, Chair
Human Relations Commission

Patricia Montejano, Vice-Chair
Human Relations Commission
2021年4月26日

致弗里蒙特社区的公开信

尊敬的

弗里蒙特社区：

於2021年2月16日，針對最近針對亞太島民社區成員的仇恨行為和言論激增，弗里蒙特市議會通過了一項決議案「譴責因擔心COVID-19疫情而產生的仇外心理和反亞裔的種族主義，並申明弗里蒙特市對亞太島民社區的福祉和安全的承諾」。

人際關係委員會（HRC）謹此感謝市長Lily Mei，副市長Yang Shao和議會成員Teresa Keng、Rick Jones、Jenny Kassan、Raj Salwan和Teresa Cox通過了該決議案。人際關係委員會聲援市議會，並對此行動表示讚賞。

弗里蒙特市人類關係委員會（HRC）努力防止歧視，並確保弗里蒙特所有個人和團體的權利均受到法律保護。HRC促進、支持和幫助建立一個富有同情心的社區環境，尊重多元化，鄰居伸出援手之手並相互扶持，而最弱勢群體獲得服務；以讓我們全體和平和諧地生活、學習、工作和娛樂的社區中實現高質生活。

我們還想提醒社區，於2017年3月，市議會重申並宣布弗里蒙特為富有同情心的庇護城市，本市對偏見、種族主義、偏執、仇恨和暴力採取零容忍度政策。如果您遇到或看到仇恨行為，可以透過多種方式與弗里蒙特警察局聯繫，包括：

- 911－如果您處於緊急危機中並且需要報告緊急情況
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HRC和警察局在以下網址彙整了以上資源，以及其他資源：
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## Boards, Commissions, and Committees Attendance Record

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*Due to lack of Quorum, absence does not affect eligibility.*
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The following shall be used by the Chairperson and members of the Commission as the general rules of debate. However, the Chairperson may at any time declare that the said rules are suspended, until such time as the Chairperson declares them in effect once again. Such declaration may be made upon the Chairperson's own volition, or at the suggestion of any member of the Commission. Such declaration, however, is subject to action by a majority of the Commission.

1. Chairperson May Debate and Vote, etc. The Chairperson may move, second and debate from the chair, subject only to such limitations of debate as are by these rules imposed on all members and shall not be deprived of any of the rights and privileges of a Commissioner by reason of that member's acting as the Chairperson.

2. Getting the Floor - Decorum. Every member desiring to speak shall address the chair, and, upon recognition by the Chairperson, shall confine remarks to the question under debate. Commissioners shall accord the utmost courtesy to each other, City employees and the public appearing before the Human Relations Commission, and shall refrain at all times from rude and derogatory remarks, public criticism of staff, remarks as to integrity, abusive comments and statements as to motives and personalities.

3. Interruptions. A member, once recognized, shall not be interrupted when speaking unless it be to call him to order, or as herein otherwise provided. If a member, while speaking, be called to order, that member shall cease speaking until the question of order be determined, and, if in order, that member shall be permitted to proceed.
4. **Privilege of Closing Debate.** The Commissioner moving the adoption of any motion shall have the privilege of closing the debate.

5. **Motion to Reconsider.** A motion to reconsider any action taken by the Commission may be made only on the day such actions was taken. It may be made either immediately during the same session, or at a recessed or adjourned session thereof. Such motion must be made by one of the prevailing side, but may be seconded by any member, and may be made at any time and have precedence over all other motions or while a member has the floor; it shall be debatable. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent any member of the Commission from making or remaking the same or any other motion at a subsequent meeting of the Commission,

6. **Remarks of Commissioner When Entered in Minutes.** A Commissioner may request, through the Presiding Officer, the privilege of having an abstract of that Commissioner's statement on any subject under consideration by the Commission entered in the minutes. If the Commission consents thereto, such statement shall be entered in the minutes,

7. **Summary Minutes.** The Secretary will prepare summary minutes, which represent the Secretary’s best effort to give a brief summary of the discussion on each agenda item, and which also record all motions and votes. Commissioners will generally defer to staff’s discretion regarding the summary, unless the summary contains incorrect information.

8. **Rules of Order.** Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the most current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order, shall be used as a guide to the conduct of the meetings of the Commission, provided, however, that the failure of the Commission to conform to any rule of order shall not, in any instance, be deemed to invalidate the action taken.

**ARTICLE VIII - COMPLAINTS**

A. **COMPLAINTS, DEFINITION OF**

The word complaint, as used in these rules and regulations, means any letter, petition, referral, or other communication regardless of form, concerning any alleged or reported situation involving group tensions, prejudice or disorder occasioned thereby in the City of Fremont, and any problem in inter-personal relations or situation involving discrimination based on race, color, ethnicity, religion/creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, including sexual identity, sexual orientation, age, familial status, disability, medical condition, political beliefs and income, against any person, group of persons, organization or business entity in the City of Fremont.

B. **AGENDIZING**

Upon receipt of a complaint (as defined above), the Secretary shall include the complaint as an agenda item at the next regular Commission meeting, in accordance with the “Agenda Process” described above.

I. **COMPLAINTS, ACTION BY COMMISSION**

Upon receipt of a complaint, the Commission may take such action as necessary to fulfill its human relations role as defined in the Fremont Municipal Code. Such actions might include consultation with groups and individuals, using persuasion and conference to arrive at voluntary solutions, and providing advice and recommendations to the City Council.

**ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS**

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Subject to Section 2-3102 of the Fremont Municipal Code concerning City Council approval, these Rules and Regulations may be amended by a majority vote of the total membership of the Commission at any regular meeting of the Commission, provided, however, that no amendment shall be adopted by the Commission unless a notice of intention to consider the particular amendment, with a copy of the proposed amendment or a reasonably accurate summary thereof, has been sent to all members of the Commission not less than five (5) days prior to the meeting at which any such amendment is considered.
Daily Bowl

Distributing sustenance to families in need by solving the last mile problem in food recovery at the lowest level
Why?

Families need better access to nutritious meals.
Families in Fremont, Union City, and Newark who can’t get enough sustenance daily
$1500

Food waste for a family per year
Produce wastage

52% tossed, 40% by businesses. Roughly 63 million tons waste per year
Produce wastage

Wastage uses Natural production resources. 28% land used to produce wasted food, 25% water, 5% transportation
The Food Paradox in the Tri-Cities

Low income families have limited direct access to nutritious quality meals

$86,000 annual income to make ends meet family of four

Because of legal fears, food businesses throw out food
How can we solve this?

Build a distributed network of sites in food desert areas that will be recipients of the food we glean, source and distribute.
Relationships:
Get the help of the whole community to glean, produce, and distribute
Our Mission

Glean imperfect and slightly blemished produce from stores that otherwise gets tossed, improve backyard garden rescue

Glean and rescue excess food from restaurants and catering companies *

* fully adhering to local health and Good Samaritan laws

** We have a policy of “open doors and open arms” — Non-denominational and non-judgmental
Our Vision

Reduce food waste by connecting the food sources to families who need sustenance for their children

Bind the community to a common cause to end hunger
The Team

Paddy Iyer
Paddy owned Paddy’s coffee house and has deep ties to the community.

Jaime Jaramillo
Executive Director of Centro de Servicios in Union City

Darryl McAllister
Former Chief of the Union City Police Department

Lance Nishihira
New Haven Unified School Board Member
The Team

Gary Singh
A business owner in Union City. Council member, Union City

Manny Fernandez
Former City Council Member, Union City. Director Union Sanitary District

Anu Natarajan
Former Vice Mayor, Fremont

Ken Pon
Planning Commissioner, San Leandro.
The Team

Sara Lamnin
Hayward Council member, and prominent community advocate

Melissa Wilk
Auditor Controller, Clerk/Recorder, Alameda County

Kara Lee
Small business owner, passionate about food insecurity in community

Cindi Napoli
Trustee, Peralta Community College District

Abella Reiss
Donor Agencies
Grocery Stores
Restaurant Distributors
Catering Companies
Restaurants
Farmers Markets
Produce Markets
Recipient Agencies/Partners
Centro de Servicios
Union City Family Center
Salaam Food Pantry
TriCities Free Breakfast
TCV-Food Bank (TriCity Volunteers)
SAVE
Various city agencies
South Hayward Parish
FoodShift
Life ElderCare and more
Can we get your help?

- Assist us financially to improve our outreach and programs
- Assist us with material donations
- Help spread the word within your social circle
- Connect us with people that can help or benefit from our work
Thank You

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Pursuing and protecting the best interests of the City of Fremont through legislative advocacy and partnerships at the regional, State and federal level.
Top Legislative Guiding Principles

The Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities represent a framework for organizing the City's legislative interests at the regional, State and federal level.

At the City Council retreat held in January 2021, the Council identified four top priority areas for the City in 2020-21. Those priority areas include 1) Budget, financial health, increase the tax base, 2) Continue response to COVID-19, 3) Continue to address homelessness, and 4) Neighborhood improvement.

The following key legislative guiding principles form the foundation of the City's advocacy efforts.

*COVID-19 Response*

The City supports legislation and advocacy efforts aiming to secure direct and flexible funding and resources for cities of all sizes so they can continue to protect residents from the pandemic, deliver essential services, support small businesses, and lead the recovery in our communities. Improve communication and coordination with regional, state, and federal governments on public health orders and programs to stimulate equitable economic recovery.

**Protect Local Control**

The City values its ability and authority to exercise local control, enable excellent public services and protect and enhance the quality of life for Fremont residents and businesses, and supports efforts to streamline regulations that simplify the job of running the City and opposes efforts that erode the City’s authority to control its own affairs. Areas where the City values local control relate to police authority, local land use and addressing the quality of life of our residents.

**Ensure Competitiveness Through Strategic Economic Development**

The City embraces efforts to obtain funding for economic development, including planning and implementation of regional transportation; economic stimulus programs; jobs legislation; and small business entrepreneurship training and assistance.

**Promote Investment in Transportation, and Infrastructure Maintenance and Rehabilitation**

The City supports legislation and policies that promote investing in the maintenance and rehabilitation of aging infrastructure and building new system capacity to support smart growth principles.

**Keep Fremont Safe**

The City supports legislation and policies that enable local officials to access resources to provide quality police, fire, emergency management, emergency medical services, traffic safety, youth violence and delinquency prevention initiatives, and community efforts.

**Prevent, Reduce and Eliminate Homelessness**

The City recognizes and values the importance of all residents having stable housing, access to jobs, ability to earn an income, and access to essential services. The City supports efforts and
legislation that seeks to alleviate the State's large homelessness problem via funding and programmatic assistance to cities and counties.

**Protect and Increase Local Funding; No Unfunded Mandates**
The City supports legislation that aids recovery of City costs stemming from State and federal mandates.

**Pursue or retain federal and State funding for key efforts**
The City continues to vigorously pursue federal, State and County funding for key efforts and activities, and actively seeks to retain any such funding previously allocated for those purposes.

**Pursue efforts to create new financing tools to support and build affordable housing**
The City remains firmly committed to the production of high quality, affordable housing for a range of income levels and target populations such as families, seniors and those with special needs.

**Promote Environmental Sustainability and Smart Growth Development**
The City values policies that promote sustainable development; improve environmental standards and the regulatory process; provide incentives and financial support for preservation of natural resources; eliminate greenhouse gas emissions; expand sustainable energy policies; improve community adaptation and resiliency to climate change; and are consistent with the City's Climate Action Plan.

**Pursue efforts to Improve state-local coordination and planning to strengthen community disaster preparedness, resiliency, and recovery.** The City supports legislation and policies that provide additional resources and support to mitigate the effects of climate change, sea level rise, catastrophic wildfires, and flooding in our communities. Promote community disaster preparedness, resiliency, and recovery in collaboration with the state and federal governments. Increase availability and access to the National Flood Insurance Program to include other natural disasters.

**2021 Legislative Priorities**

**COVID-19 Response and Recovery**

**COVID-19 Local Government Recovery**: Support federal and State efforts to secure direct and flexible funding to support critical funding for local services for all cities and for COVID-19-related expenditures.

**COVID-19 Health Safety**: Support federal and State efforts and legislation that continue to fund a sufficient supply of PPE, COVID-19 Testing, and access to the vaccine for community members and businesses.

**Small Business Recovery**: Support federal and State legislation and programs that allocate funding and assistance in small business and property relief and recovery through grant and direct funding.
**Workforce Development Recovery:** Support federal and State policies and programs that assist with funding to launch programs to match displaced workers with jobs and training.

**Community and Economic Development**

**Economic Stimulus Programs:** Support federal and State efforts and legislation that fund economic stimulus programs; jobs legislation; and financially supports small business entrepreneurship training and assistance. Support legislation that stimulates economic development, which might include lower thresholds for bonds and other incentives.

**Sustainable Wages:** Support legislation and initiatives that provide living and sustainable wages for individuals and families in Fremont, including the creation of middle-wage jobs in industries that have become increasingly hard to come by in our region.

**New Business Attraction:** Support incentive programs and initiatives to attract new business to the State that are revenue neutral to local governments and do not impact the limited revenues cities receive. This includes continuation of the California Competes Tax Credit and any enhancement to programs offered by the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development (Go-Biz). Support the use of foreign-trade zones to encourage and expedite international trade in the U.S.

**Maintain CA’s Competitiveness in Strategic Industries:** Support programs and initiatives that can accelerate growth and maintain competitiveness in California’s biomedical and cleantech industries, which are each poised to generate a wave of economic growth and good jobs for the Bay Area and throughout California while providing innovative products that solve some of our biggest challenges.

**Industry-Specific Issues:** Support programs and additional incentives for advanced manufacturing and its supply chain, such as Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnerships (IMCP), National Network of Manufacturing Innovation (NNMI), the California State Sales Tax exemption for Manufacturing and Research Development Exemption, and California Competes Tax Credit.

**Immigration Reform:** Support comprehensive immigration reform that provides opportunities for all immigrants to achieve economic success and a pathway to citizenship: H-1B visas, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and the DREAM Act, and the continuation of the EB-5 Program. The City opposes any efforts which might be taken by the Federal government to institute “registries” of residents based on religion, ethnicity, or other protected classification; and which is consistent with Fremont Police Department Policy 428.

**Preservation of Local Land Use Authority:** Oppose legislation that would remove or limit local government land use authority.

**Housing Elements:** Oppose legislation that penalizes local governments for noncompliance with their housing element requirements, since compliance is based on several factors, such as the economy, that are not within the control of local government.

**Flexibility in Meeting the Regional Housing Needs Assessment:** Support legislation that provides flexibility in meeting the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) requirements.
that are mandated by State Housing Law as part of the periodic process of updating the housing element in the General Plan.

**Affordable Housing**: Support new financing tools for local government to support, build, increase, and preserve affordable housing units and legislation that provides for the creation of a long-term funding source dedicated to financing affordable housing.

**Housing Tax Incentives**: Support tax incentives to promote investment in the production of multi-family rental housing including expansion of the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program to create mixed-income developments.

**HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Program**: Preserve funding for the HOME program, which directs formula grants to local governments to create affordable housing for low-income households.

**Sustainable Development**: Support legislation that provides financial and technical support to implement sustainable development practices such as transit-oriented development, green building, consideration of existing and future development impacted by sea level rise, and other sustainable practices such as greening the code and support for the Climate Action Plan.

**CEQA Reform**: Support legislation that streamlines CEQA review and requirements.

**Transportation and Infrastructure**

*Traffic Safety and Safe Speeds (Vision Zero)*: Support legislation that enables cities to better manage unsafe traffic speeds which are directly associated with most fatal and severe injury crashes. Key legislative actions include: 1) allowing automated speed enforcement technology (“speed cameras”), and 2) allowing local control for setting safer speed limits, rather than having it determined by prevailing speeds (the 85% rule).

**Funding for Infrastructure Projects**: Support federal and State legislation that provides funding for local government infrastructure projects, and targets funds for maintenance to local agencies. The City also supports legislation for new tools, authority, and funding to enable increased investment in state and local infrastructure and economic development.

**Long Term Federal Transportation Authorization and Funding**: Support adoption of a long-term federal transportation authorization that provides a stable and reliable funding stream for transportation. Federal gas taxes for transportation have not changed since 1993.

**Lower Threshold for Approval of Transportation Sales Taxes**: Support a constitutional amendment to lower the threshold for approval of sales and use taxes for transportation purposes. Currently, such taxes must be approved by two-thirds of the voters. The City supports lowering the requirement to either 55% (the same requirement for schools), or to a simple majority.

*Electric Vehicles and Infrastructure*: Support legislation that accelerates the transition to electric vehicles, including the City’s fleet vehicles.
Public Safety

**Public Safety:** Support legislation that would require or greatly encourage those convicted of drug possession to enter drug treatment programs. Support legislation and funding that enhances non-sworn field response capability to those experiencing homelessness and/or mental health crisis. Oppose legislation limiting the use of less-than-lethal tools to assist in mitigation of violent riots, sideshows or criminal caravans.

**Safe Schools:** Support legislation that provides funding for school safety programs, including School Resource Officers (SRO’s), Safe Routes to School, Out-of-School Time Programs, School Climate initiatives and Crisis Intervention Counseling.

**COPS and JAG Funding:** Support full funding for the Citizens’ Option for Public Safety (COPS) program and the Byrne/Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program; and renew suspension of the COPS grant’s local cost share requirement.

**POST Funding and City Law Enforcement Grants:** Support continued full Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) funding for law enforcement training and maintain the funding level for City Law Enforcement grant funds.

**Urban Area Security Initiative Funding:** Support full funding for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI); and maximize first responder funding, as well as flexibility in the use of funds to assist areas of need (i.e. personnel, training and target hardening).

**Fire Protection in Schools:** Support requiring the installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems in new and remodeled schools.

**Interoperability:** Support funding for interoperability initiatives to better facilitate coordinated and effective emergency response by police, fire, EMS, and non-public safety departments in cities and across regional jurisdictions.

**Use of Technology:** Support legislation that encourages the use of technology in efforts to fight crime.

**Police Cameras:** Support funding and integration of video recording system between police officers (body cameras) and in-vehicle (dash cams). Oppose legislation limiting the use or storage of automated license plate reader data.

**Release of Records:** Support legislation that allows for public access to request records, video and audio recordings relating to the report, investigation, or findings of critical incidents involving police officers.

**Medical Marijuana:** Support legislation to enact regulations consistent with the Medical Marijuana regulation and Safety Act that preserves local control.

**Recreational Marijuana:** Support sufficient funding and revenues for enforcement and administration duties related to recreational marijuana. Encourage State regulatory bodies to develop regulations and work with local governments throughout the development of these regulations. Support funding for prevention and intervention for youth diversion services related to youth marijuana infractions.
**Human Trafficking:** Support legislation that would provide funding to programs that raise public awareness about Human Trafficking and train law enforcement on handling and investigating Human Trafficking cases, and/or; identify, rescue, and provide services to victims of human trafficking, including the prosecution of Human Trafficking perpetrators.

**Rail Safety:** Support legislation that would promote rail safety improvements such as controlled brake controls and the expediting of real-time information to first responders. Provide additional funding for emergency personnel training to deal with rail safety issues in communities with rail lines.

**Community and Human Services**

**Playground Safety Guidelines:** Support legislation that protects cities from liability for use of playgrounds and supports ensuring that all new safety mandates come with associated funding to help cities comply with the guidelines.

**CalWORKS:** Support replacing the ‘benefits cliff,’ the loss of public benefits as a result of income and asset increase, with rational policies that gradually and sensibly ramp down benefits as a household’s income or resources increase. The City supports funding for CalWorks programming to help families achieve economic independence.

**Children and Youth:** Support legislation that provides public funding for effective programs and services, and expansion of opportunities for children and youth ages 0-24 years, which include:

- Youth development programs that promote civic engagement and reduce delinquency through conflict resolution.
- Before and After School Programs that support the health, wellness and stability of families.
- Gang resistance programs with vocational training and employment opportunities.
- Youth diversion programs that ensure at-risk youth, first time offenders and youth on Probation are diverted from the juvenile justice system and re-engaged in positive civic life.
- Early childhood mental health, for children 0-8 years, and parenting support programs that improve the social, emotional development of young children, increase parenting and advocacy skills and improve family relationships.

**Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG):** Oppose any reductions to formula funding, and support any revisions to increase formula funding, for the Community Development Block Grant Program.

**Economic Self-sufficiency:** Support funding for family economic self-sufficiency programs, such as the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, which helps low-income individuals file their tax returns and qualify for the various credits and deductions available to them. The City also supports funding for programs that integrate or “bundle” financial and workforce development services, creating effective pathways to economic opportunity for lower income families.

**Family Resource Centers:** Support funding for family resource centers, which provide comprehensive integrated programs to improve the quality of life and strengthen individuals, teens, and families through services and activities.
**Homelessness:** Support legislative efforts that allocate funding directly to local municipal and county jurisdictions for rapidly rehousing homeless individuals, families, and Veterans. Support County efforts to streamline and prioritize the allocation of permanent supportive housing to those experiencing chronic homelessness with the highest needs and greatest barriers towards obtaining and maintaining housing on their own. Support legislation and State funding that allows local jurisdictions to implement localized approaches meant to reduce and prevent homelessness, including housing navigation centers, safe parking programs, and acquisition of underutilized hotels.

**Medi-Cal Access and Health Care Funding:** Support legislation that increases access to health care for all individuals; expands Medi-Cal reimbursement programs such as Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) and Targeted Case Management (TCM). Support efforts to comply with health care reform legislation.

**Protect the Affordable Care Act:** Oppose efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act, including provisions terminating eligibility and financing of Medicaid expansion and repealing insurance premium subsidies for lower to moderate income individuals, shifting of federal costs of ACA or other current health care financing to state and/or county governments.

**Mental Health:** Support legislation that provides funding for community education about the value of early intervention and treatment for mental health for all ages. The City also supports any funding that is allocated for providing services to homeless individuals with mental illness.

* **Justice, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion:** Support legislation and funding for local government to promote and develop further justice, diversity, equity and inclusion training and policy.

**Nutrition and Wellness:** Oppose any cuts to the CalFresh Program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); and support all efforts to increase participation in this federal nutrition program that provides food for families in need and provides increased tax revenue for the local community.

**Senior Services:** Oppose funding cuts and support the reinstatement of funding for community-based programs that serve seniors, and support cost-of-living adjustments for Social Security and other entitlement programs.

**Food Security:** Support legislative and budget proposals to enhance local entities’ ability to provide healthy food for vulnerable residents.

**Special Populations:** Support legislation that funds affordable housing and other supportive services for special populations such as people with health and mental health conditions, impairments, and/or disabilities.

**Environment**

**Climate Protection:** Support legislation and policies that assist local and state government in meeting or exceeding local or state established goals of reducing global warming pollution levels, provided that cities maintain autonomy and discretion over whether to implement, including reducing dependence on fossil fuels, developing alternative energy resources and developing fuel-efficient technologies.
**Homelessness Impacts:** Support legislation, policies, and program funding that assist local governments in mitigating the environmental impacts of unhoused populations in their community. Mitigation measures could include providing funding for sanitation services, debris management and other efforts designed to reduce discharges for these local sites.

**Landfill:** Support legislation that supports the development of alternative technologies such as anaerobic digestion or mixed waste processing that result in waste diversion from landfills.

**Litter Control and Abatement:** Support legislation to address litter control and abatement problems in California.

**Recycling:** Support legislation and program funding that supports current State waste diversion requirements and goals, as well as diversion measurement and reporting improvements that do not adversely impact the assessment of compliance efforts made by local jurisdictions.

**Producer Responsibility:** Support State and federal legislation that encourages companies to assume responsibility for the costs of collecting, processing, recycling, or disposing of products at end-of-life that would otherwise become a burden on local government.

**Recycled Product Market Development:** The City supports legislation that encourages manufacturers to include post-consumer recycled material in their products and encourages state and local government agencies and school districts to use less toxic and recycled content products.

**Zero Emission Mobile and Stationary Sources:** Support growth in the use of zero-emission mobile and stationary end uses and designate revenues generated from greenhouse gas-related fees or taxes to local or municipal government entities; support efforts that accelerate the transition to zero emissions among passenger and fleet vehicles as well as stationary sources including space heating, water heating, cooking, industrial processing, and backup power; ensuring sufficient and dedicated zero emissions vehicle incentive programs, especially service disadvantaged communities and low income Californians.

**Solid Waste:** Oppose legislation that preempts local planning decisions regarding solid waste facility sites, preempts local solid waste and AB 939 fee setting authority, or imposes taxes or fees on local solid waste programs to fund State programs not directly related to solid waste management.

**Stormwater Program Funding:** Support legislation that would make it easier for cities to fund and comply with new and increasingly stringent storm water quality permit requirements.

**Water Conservation:** Support legislation and policies that assist local government in meeting or exceeding established goals of reducing water consumption without preemptioning local planning decisions.

**Energy Efficiency:** Support legislation that assists regional and local governments in development and implementing energy efficiency and conservation strategies and ensure that local governments can continue, and not be preempted in, their efforts to achieve economic improvements through increased energy efficiency and conservation plans that seek to decrease carbon emissions.
Revenue, Taxation and Telecommunications

Lower Threshold for Local Taxes: Support a constitutional amendment to lower the threshold for approval of local taxes to either 55% (the same requirement schools now face) or to a simple majority, especially to encourage economic and local development, transportation improvements, building improvements, as well as to meet public safety needs.

Tax Exempt Status of Municipal Bonds: Oppose legislation that eliminates or places a cap on tax-exempt municipal bonds.

New Economy: Support policy options for responding to the erosion of the major local government revenue sources resulting from the expansion of e-commerce, increased consumption of retail services rather than goods, changing patterns of commerce, and innovations in technology. Ensure changes to any policies adequately address local government concerns; and are capable of being integrated into existing operations.

Shared Economy: Oppose efforts by online travel companies to circumvent remittance of transient occupancy taxes (TOT) from hotel reservations purchased through the internet. Support policy options, such as a requirement for short-term housing rental platforms such as Airbnb to collect rental payments, to facilitate equitable enforcement of transient occupancy tax ordinances.

Equitable Allocation: Support legislation that provides stable dedicated revenue to support all City responsibilities and establishes a more equitable distribution of locally generated taxes (property, sales, etc.).

Fiscal Reform: Oppose continued State efforts to find ways to divert local revenues and encourages the State to find other ways to balance its budget. Oppose legislation that would limit the City’s ability to rearrange finances based on the need at hand.

Flexibility in Use of Funds: Support legislation that lifts restrictions on restricted funds to provide the highest levels of discretion to elected representatives to manage the financial affairs of their jurisdictions.

*Development Impact Fees: Oppose legislation that would set a cap on justifiable development impact fees used to fund infrastructure needed to serve new development.

Community Access Preservation Act: Support legislation that preserves Public Access, Educational, and Government (PEG) channels and funding for PEG channels from cable and video providers and that changes the existing law to remove the distinction between "capital" and "operating" for use of PEG fees.

Build-out of Facilities: Support legislation that provides a reasonable timeframe for deployment of telecommunications services by providers that includes a clear plan for sequencing of the build-out of facilities within an entire franchise area.

Municipal Broadband Networks: Preserve local authority to deploy and operate municipal broadband networks, through either public-private partnerships or systems wholly owned by the municipality.
Public Education Facilities Financing: Support funding mechanisms that can be used to finance new educational facilities; that do not adversely impact city government.

Proposition 13 Reform: Support legislation that reduces imbalances to the distribution of tax burden between residential and commercial properties as it relates to Proposition 13.

Administration and Employee Relations

Mandated Employee Benefits: Oppose legislation mandating local employee benefits because such benefits can impose financial costs and administrative burdens on local governments. Decisions about employees’ health and retirement benefits, and internal investigative processes should be made at the local level, through the collective bargaining process, not mandated by the State or federal governments.

Retiree Medical: Oppose any legislation that would make participation in any program to pre-fund other post-employment benefit (OPEB) obligations mandatory. However, the City does support legislation that expands the universe of employee self-funded medical benefits on a tax-advantaged basis under State law in coordination with programs and funding mechanisms developed under federal law.

Mandatory Social Security Coverage: Oppose mandatory Social Security coverage.

Social Security and Local Government Pensions: Support modifying legislation so that City employees are not penalized for work performed in addition to their local government service.

Workers’ Compensation: Oppose any new or additional workers’ compensation benefits and support legislation to further reform the system and lower employer costs. As one example, the City opposes legislation to extend the leave of absence at full salary, tax free, from the current one year to which public safety employees who are totally temporarily disabled by injury or illness on the job are entitled (Labor Code Section 4850).

*Asterisks denote new priorities added in 2020/21
Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities
Overview

• **Purpose**
  • City Council agrees on legislative priorities at the beginning of the legislative cycle that allows the Mayor to send letters on behalf of the City.

• **Annual Process**
  • Review of Partner Organizations’ legislative priorities
  • Staff provides department specific information on legislative areas of interest
  • Council reviews and approves Legislative Principles and Priorities
  • Copy of approved Legislative Principles and Priorities is shared with elected representatives and their staff
Legislative Guiding Principles and Priorities

• Represent a framework for the City’s legislative interests at the federal, state and regional levels.

• Each legislative priority includes broad policy statements that articulate the City’s legislative goals by addressing major areas of interest.

• **The City’s Legislative Priorities are organized under the following categories:**
  - COVID-19 Response and Recovery
  - Community and Economic Development
  - Public Safety
  - Revenue, Taxation and Telecommunication
  - Transportation and Infrastructure
  - Community and Human Services
  - Environment
  - Administration and Employee Relations
Legislative Activity

• During 2019 and 2020, the City took a position on 31 individual bills and initiatives in the federal and state legislature.

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*Other includes bills that were: watched, neutral positions or support if amended.
This also includes positions taken on local, regional initiatives that support, oppose COF priorities.
2020 Legislative Highlights

- City has actively supported and participated in advocacy efforts for direct and flexible funding to assist local governments in the COVID-19 recovery legislation.

- More frequent engagement with Fremont’s Federal and State Representative offices to provide an overview of key Fremont projects and on-going needs.

- AB 2553: Shelter Crisis Declarations- Fremont was instrumental in working with bill author’s office to amend bill text to clarify that “Safe-Parking Programs” are a type of homeless shelter that is exempt from certain regulations during a declared shelter crisis.

- Continued to support and advocate for earmarks that benefit Fremont and the region in any legislation that proposes to fund transportation infrastructure projects. Specifically, have continued to work with respective offices on finding potential funding support to upgrade the SR 262 highway to improve access for commuters, regional express buses and goods movement.
Next Steps

• Approve 2021 Legislative Principles and Priorities

• Staff monitors pending legislation
  • Staff maintains a matrix of bills that are monitored at the state and federal level.
  • Participate in regular communication about “hot bills” and issues with League of California Cities, partner organizations, and department staff.
  • Maintains a contract with Holland and Knight for legislative advocacy services in Washington, D.C.
  • Maintains a contract with Townsend Public Affairs for legislative advocacy services in the CA Legislature.

• Letters of support and opposition
  • Staff monitors and prepares letters of support and opposition for the Mayor to sign that are consistent with the City’s Legislative Principles and Priorities.

• Letters to Governor
  • Governor must sign all bills by October 10, 2021.
Thank You!