

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING ORANGE COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Thursday, November 4, 2021, 11:00 A.M.



COMMISSION ROOM, FIRST FLOOR
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd.
Santa Ana, California

JO-ANNE P. MATSUBA
Chair

JENNIFER S. WANG
Vice Chair

ADA BRICEÑO
Commissioner

AMY BUCH
Commissioner

TANYA DOBY
Commissioner

M. FAREED FARUKHI
Commissioner

MIKE HAMEL
Commissioner

DOT LEACH
Commissioner

JANY LEE
Commissioner

DOROTHY O'NEILL
Commissioner

RABBI RICK STEINBERG
Commissioner

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Briceño, Buch, Doby, Farukhi, Leach, Matsuba and Wang (all Commissioners participated via Zoom)

ABSENT: Commissioners Hamel, Lee, O'Neill and Steinberg

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Norma Lopez (participated via Zoom)
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION Jamie Ross & Dora Guillen, Deputy Clerks (participated via Zoom)

The Orange County Human Relations Commission is an independent advisory body, and our positions do not necessarily reflect the positions of the County of Orange Board of Supervisors.

1. Call the Meeting to Order and Roll Call
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 11:03 A.M. BY CHAIR MATSUBA; CLERK CALLED ROLL AND CONFIRMED A QUORUM
2. Opening quote/reflection
COMMISSIONER BRICEÑO EXPRESSED HOW GRATEFUL AND INSPIRED SHE IS TO WORK WITH THE COMMISSION AND REFLECTED ON THE DISCUSSIONS THAT HAVE COME ABOUT SINCE THE RELEASE OF THE HATE CRIME REPORT

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3. Monthly Summary of Commission Activities

PRESENTED

OPEN FORUM

None

HEARING/SPEAKER/PRESENTATION: (None)

ACTION ITEMS: (Item 4)

4. AB 361 Review and make findings to continue virtual meetings due to the proclaimed state of emergency arising from COVID-19 as required by Government Code subsection 54959(e)(3)

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DISCUSSION ITEMS: (Items 5 – 7)

5. Planning presentations and speakers on current human relations issues in Orange County for 2022
Human Relations Commission meetings

C.O. **DISCUSSED; COMMISSIONER LEACH SUGGESTED ORANGE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS NEAL KELLEY AND MISSION PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL CEO SETH TEIGEN; COMMISSIONERS TO SEND OTHER SUGGESTIONS TO COMMISSION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION BY COMMISSION**

6. Discuss Commissioner send-off celebrations/farewells when they end their terms or step down

C.O. **DISCUSSED; CHAIR MATSUBA CREATED AN AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER REVIEW CONSISTING OF COMMISSIONERS FARUKHI AND WANG; AD HOC COMMITTEE TO RETURN TO COMMISSION FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF POTENTIAL PLAN**

7. Review and discuss the Healing from Hate Film Screening events throughout Orange County

C.O. **DISCUSSED; CHAIR MATSUBA CREATED AN AD HOC COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF COMMISSIONERS FARUKHI AND BRICEÑO TO WORK WITH COMMISSION STAFF**

INFORMATION ITEMS: (Items 8 – 12)

8. Update: Japanese National (NHK BS) TV Documentary Program request

NO REPORT

9. Update: Board of Supervisors Proposal

PRESENTED

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10. Commission staff reports
 - a. Update – YLHS & Esperanza HS Incident Report
 - b. Updated opening & monthly summary rotational calendar

PRESENTED
11. Update from OC Chiefs and Sheriff

NO REPORT
12. OCSD Interfaith Council update

PRESENTED

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Briceño – Oral Re.: Hate incident at Irvine City Council meeting; would like for Commission to prepare a statement condemning incident; ad hoc created consisting of Commissioners Briceño and Wang; ad hoc to bring statement to full Commission for discussion and approval.

Commissioner Leach – Oral Re.: Longest Night event on 12/21.

Commissioner Wang – Oral Re.: Next Health Equity Series event to be held on 12/7/21; wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNED: 12:30 P.M.

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1 Ada Briceño	A = Abstained
2 Amy Buch	X = Excused
3 Tanya Doby	
4 M. Fareed Farukhi	N = No
5 Mike Hamel	C.O. = Commission Order
6 Dot Leach	
7 Jany Lee	Reso = Resolution
8 Jo-Anne P. Matsuba	Ord = Ordinance
9 Dorothy O'Neill	
10 Rabbi Rick Steinberg	
11 Jennifer S. Wang	

(1st number = Moved by; 2nd number = Seconded by)

JO-ANNE MATSUBA
Chair

Jamie Ross, Deputy
Clerk of the Commission



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MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: OCTOBER 2021

FY JUL 21 - JUN 22 Commission Activities Matrix		
CONTRACT ACTIVITY	Goal	To-Date
A. Monthly HRC meetings	12	3
B. HRC Annual Report	1	0
C. Police-Community Reconciliation cases	20	5
D. Community-Police Meetings	4	1
E. Chief's Advisory Boards & Sherriff's Interfaith Council	8	7
F. Community Outreach & Relationship Building meetings	40	48
G. Police/Diverse Community Dialogues	2	1
H. Hate Crime Report & Network Meeting	1	1
I. Support to hate crime victims	8	19
J. Outreach efforts (speeches, presentations, etc.)	10	2
K. Community training on intergroup relations topics	4	0
L. Annual Awards program	1	0
M. Participate in community-based/outreach symposiums	2	0

Police-Community Relations

- Commission staff attended the Executive Committee meeting with the Sheriff's Interfaith Council.

Intergroup Relations & Relationship Building

- **Relationship Building, Outreach, & Presentations**
 - Commission staff has continued to connect with Hate Crime Prevention Network partners to engage in 1:1 and discuss future network efforts.
 - Commission staff met with LGBTQ Center of OC to support organization in setting up an online reporting form for their clients and staff.
 - Commission staff met with Asian American Community leaders to discuss partnership opportunities in reaching out to AAPI communities throughout Orange County.
 - Commission staff is partnering with GGUSD to present 2020 Hate Crime data and participate at a Hate Prevention forum for students.
 - Commission staff helped facilitate dialogue groups at the OC Together dialogue event that had approximately 100 registrants and 40 people in attendance.



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- Hate-motivated incidents, Community Conflict, & Crisis Response/Meetings

Hate-Motivated Incidents in Orange County

OCTOBER 2021



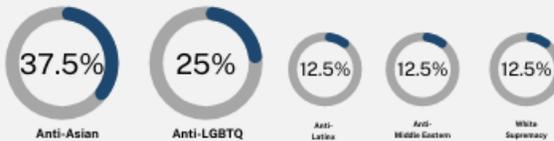
9 Total Hate-Motivated Events Reported

HATE CRIMES VS. HATE INCIDENTS

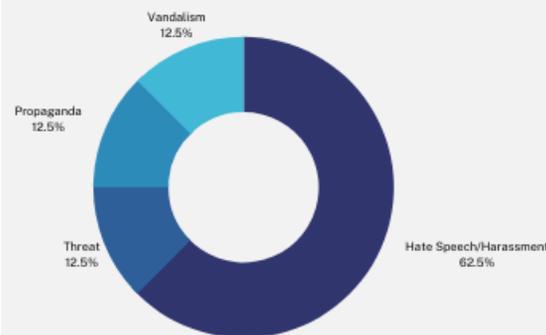


Out of the 8 hate-motivated events, two hate crime and six hate incidents were reported

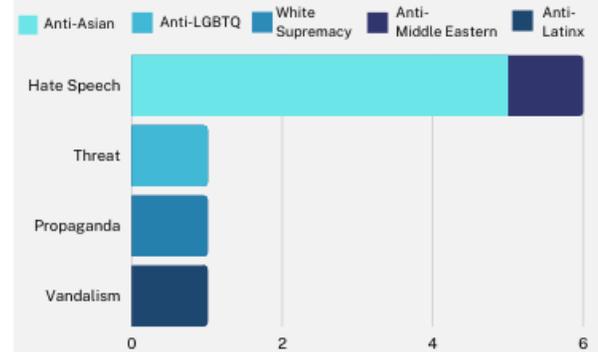
SENTIMENT



TYPE OF OFFENSE



COUNT OF TYPE BY OFFENSE AND MOTIVATION



Source: OC Human Relations Commission



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MEMO

TO: All Commissioners
FROM: Jo-Anne Matsuba, Commission Chairwoman
RE: *Healing from Hate* Film Screening

BACKGROUND:

Commission staff and hate crime prevention network partner, Michael Brown with Department of Homeland Security, have been discussing the opportunity to host a [Healing from Hate](#) film screening event in different cities in Orange County in a hybrid model (in-person & online).

Healing from Hate is a documentary film that examines the root causes of hate group activity through the bold work of those battling intolerance on the front lines. The film follows former hate-group members in their work to de-radicalize white nationalists, and heal communities torn apart by racism.

DISCUSSION:

The goal is to create a space for community members to learn more about hate groups and how former hate group members have left. Additionally, we hope to create a space for dialogue on ways to combat hate and foster a community centered around love.

- The tentative date for this event is January 6, 2022
- The screening is approximately 1.5 hours. We are hoping to have a dialogue/speaker panel, but this is dependent on the budget.
- We are hoping to partner with other local organizations in Orange County for this event as well.

There is a screening cost that covers the licensing fee for the film and a customized screening page (landing page example – <https://www.mediaed.org/healing-from-hate-watch-party-demo/>).

The goal is to have the Commission join the list of organizational leads and participate in organizing and hosting of the event along with OC Human Relations Council, Department of Homeland Security, Media Education Foundation, and other organizations who are still pending, at no cost to the Commission.

RECOMMENDATION:

Commission Chair to form an Ad Hoc Committee assigned to participate in organizing and hosting the *Healing from Hate* film screening in 2022.

FY 21-22 COMMISSION MEETING

OPENING & MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT SCHEDULE

NOTE: The calendar is subject to change if Bylaws or Contract changes are approved.

ASSIGNED FOR MEETING OPENING	ASSIGNED FOR MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT	COMMISSION MEETING DATE
Ada Briceño	Rabbi Rick Steinberg	11/4/21
Jany Lee	Jennifer Wang	12/9/21
Dr. Dorothy O'Neill	M. Fareed Farukhi	1/13/22
Dot Leach	Tanya Doby	2/10/22
Tanya Doby	Dot Leach	3/10/22
M. Fareed Farukhi	Jany Lee	4/14/22
Jennifer Wang	Ada Briceño	5/12/22
Rabbi Rick Steinberg	Dr. Dorothy O'Neill	6/9/22

*New rotational calendar will be issued at June 2022 Commission Meeting

November 2, 2021

Orange County Human Relations Commission
ATTN: Commissioners and Staff
County of Orange Hall of Administration
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd.
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Dear fellow Commissioners and Staff,

Regarding recent hateful xenophobic messages targeting Irvine Vice Mayor Tammy Kim, the first East Asian American woman to serve on the City Council, I respectfully request a statement from our Commission condemning xenophobia and anti-AAPI hate.

You may have seen [video of these messages](#), or recent press coverage of the incident ([LAist](#), [KTLA5](#), [Yahoo News](#), [LA Blade](#), and others) as well as formal statements issued by individuals, organizations and elected officials across Orange County.

Hateful anti-AAPI messages are nothing new in Orange County, and alarmingly, anti-AAPI hate incidents skyrocketed in Orange County by 1,800%, according to our 2020 Annual Report.

Considering the urgency of this issue and a need for our vocal presence to educate and reduce hate in Orange County, I call on our body to prepare and issue a statement as soon as possible.

Thank you for your solidarity and attention to this matter.

In unity,



Ada Briceño
Commissioner, Orange County Human Relations Commission
Co-President, UNITE HERE Local 11

DECEMBER 21, 2021

THE LONGEST NIGHT A VIRTUAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Winter Solstice, when the Northern Hemisphere sinks into its deepest point of darkness creating the longest night of the year.

On this night, we commemorate the lives of our Orange County neighbors who died this past year without a permanent, safe and secure place to call home.

Please join us for an interfaith service to honor their lives.

The Longest Night Candlelight Vigil will be available for viewing on YouTube after sunset on Tuesday, December 21st.

Receive a link to this year's vigil by signing up on Women Driver's Interfaith Group email list:

<http://eepurl.com/hle9jP>