

#### NOTICE AND CALL OF SPECIAL MEETING OCTOBER 28, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Government Code §54956, the Community Services Advisory Committee has called a special meeting to discuss the following:

#### Agenda:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of Minutes
  - a) Minutes of August 19, 2024, Regular CSAC meeting
- 4. Public Comments
- 5. New Business
  - a) Civil Rights Memorial Essay Contest Winner
- 6. Staff Reports (City Staff)

When:

Monday, October 28, 2024

Time:

4:00 p.m.

Where:

Victorville City Hall

Conference Room A

14343 Civic Dr.

Victorville, CA 92392

Dated:

October 24, 2024

**Donna Meester** 

**Director of Community Services** 

# ITEM 3 A ATTACHMENT



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#### **Community Services Advisory Committee**

**Regular Meeting Minutes** Monday, August 19, 2024 4:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Community Services Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair Belcher at 4:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Present:

Chair Belcher, Vice Chair Smith, Committee Member Stone,

Committee Member Amaral and Committee Member Mehrhof

Absent:

None

Also Present: Community Services Director Meester, Facilities Manager Gleason, Coordinator Ballou, City Librarian Castro,

Customer Service Representative Signorelli

#### 1. Approval of Minutes

Special Meeting Minutes of 05/20/2024.

Motion was made to approve special meeting minutes.

Moved:

Committee Member Stone

Seconded:

Chair Belcher

Motion passed 5-0

#### 2. Public Comment

None

- 3. Unfinished Business
  - a) Park Adoption
- 4. Summer Program Report

Staff presented an overview for the Community Services Advisory Committee to participate in the Adopt a Park Program.

Motion passed 5-0

Moved: Vice Chair Stone Seconded: Chair Smith

#### 5. Other Business

Discussion ensued for selection of meeting dates.

Motion was made to conduct meetings in the months of February, May, August, and October.

Motion Passed 5-0

Moved: Chair Smith

Seconded: Committee Member Belcher

#### 6. Other Business - Committee Member Reports

None

#### 7. Staff Reports

Reports were given by Facilities Manger Gleason and City Librarian Castro

#### **Adjournment**

Chair Belcher adjourned the meeting at 4:59 p.m.

# ITEM 5 A ATTACHMENT

### Claudette Colvin.

Claudette Colvin was born on September 5, 1939 in Birmingham Alabama Her parents were

Mary Anne Colvin and Q.P. Colvin. She also had a younger sister Delphine Colvin. As a black girl living in Alabama she was no stranger to segregation, she had to attend segregated schools and ride segregated buses. And on her 12th birthday her family moved to King Hill, a poor black neighborhood in Montgomery where Claudette spent the rest of her childhood. But just two days before her 13th birthday Claudette's sister Delphine died of polio. And not long after, in September 1952, Claudette started attending Booker T. Washington High School.

Then one day after school Claudette was on the bus ready to go home. But then the bus driver told her to get out of the seat and go to the back of the bus for a white passenger. And Claudette refused so she got arrested, at the age 15 and while pregnant. Then nine months later Rosa Parks did the same thing and also got arrested too. But Rosa got more attention for doing the same thing, and the reasons why Claudette did not get the same attention as Rosa did was because she did not have "good hair", she was not fair-skinned, she was a teenager, and she was pregnant. The leaders of the Civil Rights Movement tried to to keep up appearances and make the "most appealing" protesters the most seen.

So after that incident Claudette had, she still went to the NAACP Youth Council meetings. And later moved to New York City and worked in a nursing home for 35 years before she retired. Her story was forgotten until 2009, when a book about her life was published: Twice Toward Justice, by Phillip Hoose won the National Book Award for young people's literature.

And she was and still is famous until this day and Claudette is 85 years old and is living a peaceful life in Southern Texas However.

Hollywood is interested in her story and wants to make a movie of her life.

And the reason why I think that Claudette should be honored is because she has played a big role in making a difference to segregation and making everyone equal, but she has not gotten the credit she deserves. So that is why I think she should be honored in the city of victorville so she can get the attention she needs and deserves a lot.

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#### Dolores Huerta A Civil Rights Leader

Dolores Huerta was born in Dawson, New Mexico on April 10, 1930. She was the middle child of three. In 1933 when she was three years old her parents got divorced. Soon after her and her siblings as well as her mother moved to Stockton, California. Her grandfather would help take care of her well while her mother juggled jobs. Her mother worked as a waitress and cannery worker until she could make enough to buy a small hotel and restaurant. Dolores Huerta was called a cheater by her teacher because her papers were just too well written, though she didn't cheat.

Dolores Huerta got a teaching degree at University Of The Pacific Stockton College.

Soon after graduation she married Ralph Head in 1948, with whom she had two daughters called Celeste and Lori, soon after she divorced him. While teaching she organized farm workers after seeing her students come to class hungry, after a few months she quit. In 1962 Dolores Huerta co-founded the National Farm Workers Association, also known as (NFWA). A couple years later in 1965 she boycotted grape workers from some kind of chemical that was bad for the grape pickers skin.

In 1960 she successfully got a union contract which eliminated the harmful pesticides, for safer working conditions as well as timed paid increases and health benefits. In 1998 she was awarded the Human Rights Award. In 2012 Dolores Huerta was given the Medal Of Freedom and in the year of 2015 she was Secretary of the Board Member of the Feminist Majority.

Some of her quotes were, "Si Se Puede" but in English she said "Yes It Is Possible". She also said "If you don't vote, everything stays the same." Some other ones are "If you haven't forgiven yourself for something, how can you forgive others." The most important quote that she

used was "Every moment is an organized opportunity, every person a potential activist, every minute a chance to change the world." Those were one of her most important quotes that helped me which I hope will change more people.

To conclude, it was something that I liked writing about. It gave me a lot of courage from the things she did so it was helpful to learn about something that I never knew about. From what I learned Dolores Huerta is a great woman. I was also so happy that I got to write this because it was just something I enjoyed writing about.

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#### Rosa Parks

Rosa Parks was a black woman who was born in Tuskegee, Alabama in 1913. She was known for many things but the most popular is the Montgomery Bus Boycott . Rosa Parks is honored for her role in Civil Rights movement and for inspiring lots of people to stand up for themselves.

The Montgomery Bus Boycott was a 13 month protest that was in Montgomery, Alabama, from december 1955, to december 1956. It began when Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat to a passenger on the bus. On December 1,1955, Rosa Parks was sent to jail. Rosa Parks was in jail for a few hours. An act of defiance that led to Rosa's arrest.

Rosa's arrest led her to going to jail for a few hours. Rosa's one act of defiance on the bus after a long day at work started a great change for those not having the same rights. Rosa just wanted to go home after a long day at work but instead Rosa ended up in jail.

In conclusion, Rosa Parks is important because if she didn't do anything that day to stand up for herself we would have different things for different colors of people in our world today.