

# **Monterey County**

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## **Action Minutes - Draft**

**Thursday, October 17, 2019**

**10:00 AM**

**Health, Housing & Human Services Committee**

**Health, Housing, and Human Services Key Objectives:**

**Reduce regional, socio-economic inequities in health outcomes. Improve health outcomes through health and wellness promotion and access to top quality healthcare.**

**Advocate for a sufficient allocation of funds from the state and federal governments that will enable the County to carry out its authorized healthcare programs.**

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**Attendees**

Supervisor Luis Alejo, District 1; Supervisor Chris Lopez, District 3; Rosemary Soto, Anita Nachor; CAO Office; Stacy Saetta, County Counsel Office; Elsa Jimenez, Ezequiel Vega, Janet Vaughn, Christabelle Oropeza, Debra Dunn, Krista Hanni, Virginia Murillo, Krista Hanni, Christina Santana, Anna Vargas, Health, Leeset Torres, Gabriel Duenas, Civil Rights Office, Nancy Majewski, Natividad Hospital.

A complete list of attendees is on file with the Committee Secretary

**Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

**Additions and Corrections**

There were no addition and corrections.

**Public Comment Period**

There were no public comments.

**Approval of Action Minutes**

1. Approve July 18, 2019 Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee Draft Action Minutes.

The Action Minutes of July 18, 2019 Health, Housing, and Human Services Committee Meeting were approved as submitted. Supervisor Lopez recommended for approval, Supervisor Alejo Seconded, approved and submitted.

**Regular Agenda**

2. Receive an oral presentation from the Employee Wellness Program on updates and current activities since the last presentation to the Board of Supervisors in April

2019.

Presenter: Christabelle Oropeza, Public Health Program Manager

**Christabelle Oropeza provided a handout: "Monterey County Employee Wellness Program."**

**Received an oral presentation by Christabelle Oropeza, Debra Dunn, and Janet Vaughn on the Employee Wellness Program. Discussion Held.**

**Supervisor Lopez deemed the presentation accepted and approved.**

**3.**

- a. Receive an oral report by the Office of Community Engagement & Strategic Advocacy and update for the Monterey County Governing for Racial Equity Initiative.
- b. Consider recommendation to hold a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for an update for the Monterey County Governing for Racial Equity Initiative and adoption of the Monterey County Racial Equity Action Plan.

Presenter: Rosemary Soto, Management Analyst

**a.**  
**Rosemary Soto provided a handout: "Governing for Racial Equity Initiative."**

**Rosemary Soto gave a report on the Monterey County Governing for Racial Equity Initiative. Discussion Held.**

**Supervisor Lopez deemed the report accepted and approved.**

**b.**  
**Rosemary Soto provided a handout: "Monterey County Racial Equity Action Plan 2019-2024."**

**Rosemary stated that she would like to take the adoption of the Racial Equity Action Plan to the full Board and would like to request a "Special Board Meeting" to conduct a 2-hour training for all Supervisors and their staff. This will allow the Supervisors to have the same opportunity and learning experience as the Monterey County employees.**

**The action plan also recommends that the Board consider establishing a GARE Leadership team consisting of department heads as well as consider the development of a position of a Racial Equity Officer, who's duties will solely focus on the leading program. At present time, the duties are being shared and fulfilled by the GARE Cohort partners. A fulltime person dedicated to the program is needed to implement the strategy. In other Counties and some State Offices a Racial Equity Officer has been created and has been a good fit.**

**Supervisor Alejo requested that a visual graph be added that shows what the present-day population of Monterey county. This will show a visual of who are the people of Monterey County.**

**Extensive discussion regarding Monterey County Governing for Racial Equity Initiative.**

**Supervisor Lopez approved the recommendation of going to the full board for**

the "special meeting" for an update for the Monterey County Governing for Racial Equity Initiative and adoption of the MOnterey County Racial Equity Action Plan.

Supervisor Lopez deemed the report accepted and approved.

### Other Items

No other items.

### Adjournment

Meting was adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

Committee members: Supervisor Chris Lopez and Supervisor Luis Alejo.

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