

Ordinance No. _____

Ordinance of the Council of the City of Palo Alto Amending PAMC Section
2.22.010 to Expand the Human Relations Commission from Five to Seven
Members

The Council of the City of Palo Alto ORDAINS as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council finds and declares as follows:

- A. The City has a Human Relations Commission as detailed in Chapter 2.22 of the Palo Alto Municipal Code.
- B. The City Council desires to expand the membership of the Human Relations Commission from five to seven members.
- C. The two new members shall initially have one-year terms in order to stagger the introduction of new members as detailed in Section 3 of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. Section 2.22.010 (Membership) of Chapter 2.22 (Human Relations Commission) of the Palo Alto Municipal Code (PAMC) is hereby amended and restated as follows (deleted text is in ~~strike through~~, new text is underlined):

2.22.010 Membership.

There is created a human relations commission composed of ~~five~~seven members who are not council members, officers or employees of the city, who are residents of the city, and who shall be appointed by the city council.

SECTION 3. The two new seats on the Human Relations Commission created by this ordinance shall initially have shortened terms to expire on March 31, 2024, subject to extension under the provisions of PAMC 2.22.020 (Term of office). After that, successive terms shall be consistent with the term lengths in PAMC section 2.22.020 and any other applicable section of the PAMC. This Section 3 shall be uncoded.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion or sections of the Ordinance. The Council hereby declares that it should have adopted the Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid.

SECTION 5. The Council finds that this project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), pursuant to Section 15061 of the CEQA Guidelines, because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the ordinance will have a significant effect on the environment.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be effective on the thirty-first day after the date of its adoption.

INTRODUCED:

PASSED:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED:

Assistant City Attorney

City Manager

Director, Community Services Department