

**MINUTES MARCH 2024 MEETING  
VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION**

Date: 2/8/2024

Start Time: 6:00 PM

End Time: 7:30

   Virtual    In-Person

1. Attendance (See attachment 1):

<b>Guests</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roger Hall, Vets to Farmers, Denver Botanic Gardens</li> <li>• Shari Haiduogl, Medicare, Kaiser Health</li> <li>• Mario Villagomez, Senator Bennet's Office</li> </ul>				
Topic Number	Topic	After discussion, the outcome (approval, disapproval, table, information only)	Status (Open, Closed, Information Only)	Responsible Party
5	Review Agenda (Atch 2)	N/A	Info only	All
6	Previous Meeting Minutes Review (Atch 3)	Passed	Closed	All
7	Public comments	N/A	Closed	All
9a	Quarterly Financial Report for the previous quarter – (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct)	N/A	Info only	City Staff
9b	Savage Nomination	Sent to council.	Open	City Staff
9c	Meeting with City Attorney – CSRA	Unwilling to adjust requirements.	Info only	City Staff
9d	Meeting with Director of Parks (Nov city Veterans Event)	City staff is working on getting a meeting with the director of parks.	Open	City Staff
10	Vice Chairperson Report	N/A	Info only	Lammon
11a	Chairperson Report	With the Savage nomination having a term less than 6 months, looking to make a change to this policy.	Info only	Charlip
12a	Outreach, Social Media, Web Site	Working on setting the date for the display. City staff has requested that we utilize the space for the month of November.	Open	Long
12b	VSO Engagement	Nothing new to report	Info only	Davis/Francis

12c	Contact List	Newsletters ready to be sent out.	Info only	Huygen
12d	Outreach Calendar	N/A	Info only	Long
13a	Aurora Defense Council	Working on construction, we will get an update soon.	Info only	Lammon
13b	Colorado Freedom Memorial	CSU Spur-25 March	Info only	Lammon
13c	Veterans Court	Currently 3 participants	Open	Huygen/Francis
13d	VA	Updates every 3rd Thursday	Info only	Parks
<b>Old Business</b>				
1	Partner reports	Tinnitus is not considered hearing loss by the VA	Open	All
2	School Speakers	Nothing new	Open	Fox
3	Marketing for Commissioners	Possibly asking the communications department to promote the VAC vacancy	Closed	All
4	Townhall 10 Aug 1000-1400 Centerpointe Bldg 14980 E Alameda Dr	Trying to include Congressman Crow	Open	Charlip
5	Honor Flight	N/A	Open	Parks
6	April Military Child Month	Proclamation submitted to the City Council	Open	Charlip
7	Radon Awareness	N/A	Closed	
8	Attendance at Ward Meetings	N/A	Closed	Charlip
9	Fall Art Exhibit	N/A	Open	Long
10	Visits to VSOs (Atch 4)	Find organizations to visit this month.	Open	Charlip
11	Recommendation to open PROs activities to veterans (Atch 5)	Red line budget- the VAC agreed to recommend option 2 to PROs	Open	All
<b>New</b>				
1	Annual Policy Review a. Annual Working Instruction Review 2020-02	All policies have been reviewed no changes made	Closed	Lammon

	b. Use of Official Bsns Cards 2020-41 c. VAC Website 2020-42 d. VAC Publications 2020-43 (Atch 6)			
2	Armed Forces Lunch May 10 1130-1330 Doubletree by Hilton Denver Hotel 3203 Quebec St.	Please let Chairperson Charlip know if you want to attend.	Closed	Charlip
3	Buckley Gala 6 Apr 24 130-2300 \$160 Location: Denver Center for Arts, Seawell Ballroom	Fox- Possibly attending and Savage is interested in attending.	Closed	All
4	Recommendation to City Council: Privatization of Public Defender (Atch 7)	Passed by VAC	Open	City Staff
5	4+1 Commitment-Mil Spouse Employment	Ryan and Alicia will review and consider Aurora's registration	Open	City Staff
<b>Tabled</b>				
1	Handbook for Commissions (Staff Update)		Tabled	City Staff
<b>Future Meetings:</b> 2024: <b>Apr 11</b> , 9 May, 13 Jun, <b>11 Jul</b> , 8 Aug, 12 Sep, <b>Oct 10</b> , Nov 14, Dec 12 2025: <b>9 Jan</b> , 13 Feb, 13 Mar ( <b>meetings in BOLD are face to face sessions</b> )				
Banner Location- City Staff				

7 Attachments

1. Attendance



Attendance.xlsx

2. March Agenda



March Agenda.docx

3. Feb Minutes



Feb minutes  
2024.docx

4. VSO Q/A and List



Listing and Qs.docx

## 5. PROS Recommendation



Recreation Facility  
Access for Uniforme

## 6. Policies



2020-43-VAC  
Publications.rtf



2020-42-VAC Web  
Site.rtf



2020-41-Use of  
Offical Business Car



2020-02 Annual WI  
Review.rtf

## 7. Public Defender Recommendation



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Defenders - VAC - 0:

Approved

Ralph Charlip, DPA, LFACHE  
Chairperson