



CITY OF NOVATO
CALIFORNIA

Multicultural Advisory Commission

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, February 25, 2026 - 6:00 PM

Novato City Hall, 901 Sherman Ave

Chair
Carlos Solis

Vice Chair
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Members
Vicky Aguila, Curtis Aikens, Ana Frias-Bravo,
Cliff Jacobs, Michelle Le, Pamela Luk, Allison Skinner

Staff Liaisons
Drew Bendickson

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A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

B. APPROVAL OF FINAL AGENDA

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

There is a three-minute time limit to speak although the Chair may shorten the time based on the number of speakers or other factors. A speaker may not yield his or her time to another speaker.

For issues raised during Public Comment that are not on the published agenda, except as otherwise provided under the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action can legally be taken. The Commission may direct that the item be referred to the Staff Liaison for action or may schedule the item on a subsequent agenda.

D. CONSENT ITEMS

All matters listed on the Consent Item are considered to be routine and will be enacted by a single vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion unless specific items are removed from the Consent Item for separate discussion and action. Any Commissioner may remove an item from the Consent Item and place it under General Business for discussion.

D.1 [Approve the meeting minutes from January 28, 2026](#)

E. UNFINISHED AND OTHER BUSINESS

None.

F. GENERAL BUSINESS

These items include significant and administrative actions of special interest and will usually include a presentation and discussion by the Commission. They will be enacted upon by a separate vote.

F.1. Election of Vice Chair

F.2. Receive a Presentation on the 2026 Pride Voices Contest and Provide Direction on Writing Prompt Selection

[Attachment 1 – Staff Report](#)

[Attachment 2 – Pride Voices Contest Guidelines](#)

G. COMMITTEE PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM(S)

This section is used for Commissioners to orally report on topics that can be considered for discussion at a future meeting. Items must have been sent to staff 10 calendar days prior to the meeting to be included in the agenda.

G.1. Consideration of an Indigenous Peoples' Day Film Screening of 'The Land Speaks' in Partnership with the Museum of the American Indian for a Future Meeting, Proposed by Commissioner Aikens

H. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

This section is for Commissioners and Staff Liaisons to provide oral updates as related to the commission

H.1. Commissioner Reports

H.2. Staff Liaison Reports

I. ADJOURNMENT

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Drew Bendickson, Community Services Division Manager



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