

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park
Health and Education Commission
held June 23, 2008**

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Arlene Savage. Present: Commissioners Samuel Flores, Enrique Murillo, Victoria Herrera, Vice Chair Cesar Zaldivar-Motts, and Chairperson Arlene Savage. Also in attendance were Director of Community Development Henry Gray, Assistant Planner Albert Fontanez and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

Minutes of the Meeting held on May 27, 2008:

The minutes of the meeting held on May 27, 2008 will be submitted for approval at the July 28, 2008 meeting.

Public Appearances:

None.

Discussion and/or action on a "Walk to School Day" to promote health awareness among teens:

Vice Chair Cesar Zaldivar-Motts stated that "Safe Kids Walk This Way", sponsored by FedEx, was created to teach safe behavior to motorists and child pedestrians and create safer more walkable communities. Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts added that the goal of the initiative is preventing pedestrian-related injury to children. Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts recommended that the Commission request the City Councils assistance to implement the program. A discussion ensued.

Chairperson Savage directed Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts to organize an ad-hoc committee for the event and to include City staff, City Council, Police and Fire Departments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Herrera, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to authorize Vice Chair Motts to organize an ad-hoc committee for the event and to include City staff, City Council, Police and Fire Departments and submit a project concept to City Council as well as seeking Council approval for the event. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and/or action on a request by Dicarno LLC for Health and Education Commission support for a proposed 5K/10K Run/Walk event:

Director of Community Development Henry Gray informed the Commission that this item was formally presented to the City Council for approval at the June 16, 2008 City Council meeting. However, Mr. Gray indicated that the City Council had concerns regarding the route for the race, Police as well as Field Services costs and traffic disruption. Mr. Gray added that the City Council requested Otoniel Hernandez, coordinator of the event, to supply more information to the Council prior to the event.

Discussion and/or action on a voluntary program to eliminate the use of artificial trans fats in local food establishments:

Assistant Planner Albert Fontanez informed the Commission that he is drafting a letter in preparation of the program and is open to any comments from the Commission. Chairperson Savage requested that the City Logo be placed on the decals that will be distributed to those establishments who will be participating in the program. Mr. Fontanez was not sure if that was possible and that he would provide more information at the next scheduled meeting.

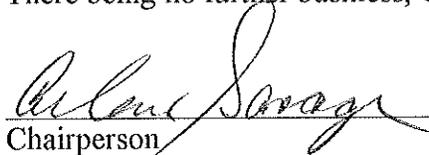
Discussion and/or action on upcoming Senior Fair during the month of October 2008:

Chairperson Savage stated that a date has been confirmed to conduct the Senior Fair on Friday, October 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Salt Lake Park and that she has contacted Mayor Elba Guerrero to establish an Ad-hoc committee to organize the event.

Information Items:

Commissioner Motts distributed information from the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health on prevention and early intervention for individuals prior to developing a diagnosis of mental illness.

There being no further business, Chairperson Savage adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.


Chairperson


Secretary