

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park
Health and Education Commission
held January 27, 2009**

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 Planning Manager Eric Garcia, Senior Planner Albert Fontanez and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on November 25, 2008:

A motion was made by Commissioner Victoria Herrera, seconded by Commissioner Enrique Murillo, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 25, 2008. The motion was unanimously approved.

Public Appearances:

None.

Discussion and/or action on goals and objectives of the Health and Education Commission for 2009:

Mr. Fontanez requested that the Commission create a list of goals and objectives for 2009. The following items were discussed and preliminary set for 2009:

- ✓ Children's Fair/April 2009
 - Mr. Fontanez stated that he would inquire with Josette Espinoza regarding details about the Children's Fair hosted by the Parks and Recreation Department.
- ✓ Safety Fair/October 2009
 - Commissioner's Cesar Zaldivar-Motts and Victoria Herrera will coordinate the activities for this event. Commissioner Herrera suggested that the "Walk to School Day" be held at another school, other than Middleton Elementary where the first event was held on October 8, 2008.
- ✓ Senior Fair/November 2009
 - A discussion was held to have the event in the month of November to ensure that the flu vaccine is available. Also, to conduct the event at the Oldtimers Foundation to provide easy access for the Seniors. Chairperson Savage and Commissioner Flores will coordinate the activities for this event as well as set a date and time to meet to prepare for the event.

Commissioner Zaldivar-Motts entered the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

- ✓ Career Fair
 - Commissioners Victoria Herrera and Samuel Flores will coordinate the activities for this event.

- ✓ Co-sponsoring a Police Athletic League (PAL) event
 - Chairperson Savage and Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts will meet with Police officials to discuss how they can assist with the program/event.
- ✓ Health Fair/June 2009
 - Commissioner Flores will be contacting a local church to have a representative speak to the Commission regarding a Health Fair that the church will be hosting.
- ✓ Relay for Life/June 2009
 - Chairperson Savage and Commissioner Herrera will meet with the American Cancer Society officials to discuss how they can assist with the program.

Mr. Fontanez reminded the Commission that due to budget constraints, the City would prefer to offer physical assistance in-lieu of financial support for any event that the Health and Education Commission is wishing to sponsor.

Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts requested staff to research health organizations that would assist the Commission with new strategies or initiatives.

Information Items:

Mr. Garcia stated that the City Council is requesting that the Commission play a key role in marketing the upcoming Census. Mr. Garcia stated that a program and budget will be submitted at the next meeting to allow for any suggestions in terms of outreach. Mr. Garcia also stated that he, along with Assistant Planner Gabriela Silva, will be serving as lead staff members for this event.

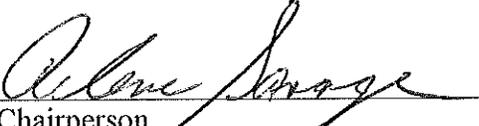
Mr. Fontanez informed the Commission that staff will be providing notebooks at each meeting that will include information, specifically the Ethics Handbook that was recently adopted by the City Council.

Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts informed the Commission that the Southeast Community Development Corporation (SCDC) is currently working with a non-profit organization in Huntington Park along with five (5) other agencies to provide computer literacy classes.

Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts informed the Commission that \$900 was raised for the Salvation Army through the Santa Claus Village that was held during the holidays by the Huntington Park Business Improvement District, the Greater Huntington Park Chamber of Commerce and the Oldtimers Foundation.

Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts informed the Commission that the SCDC Youth Advisory Club at the YMCA received a grant to contract with the "Neighborhood Action Council" that will establish a group to focus on community youth issues.

There being no further business, Chairperson Savage adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.


Chairperson


Secretary