

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park  
Health and Education Commission  
held March 24, 2009**

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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 Mayor Mario Gomez, Housing and Community Development Manager Manny Acosta, Planning Manager Eric Garcia, Senior Planner Albert Fontanez, Assistant Planner Gabriela Silva and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

***Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 24, 2009:***

A motion was made by Commissioner Enrique Murillo, seconded by Commissioner Victoria Herrera, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 24, 2009. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Public Appearances:***

None.

***Reorganization of the Commission:***

Chairperson Savage declared the position of Chairman vacant.

Motion by Herrera, seconded by Flores, to nominate Commissioner Arlene Savage as Chairperson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion by Herrera, seconded by Murillo, to nominate Commissioner Zaldivar-Motts as Vice Chair. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Discussion and/or action regarding the development of an outreach program and budget to increase resident awareness and participation in the 2010 Census count:***

Mr. Garcia informed the Commission that he has made many attempts to reach a representative from the Census Bureau to attend the Health and Education Commission meeting and discuss the upcoming Census, but has had no reply from them as yet. Chairperson Savage stated that she would contact the office of Congresswoman Roybal-Allard to speak at a future meeting. Mr. Garcia added that he will continue to contact the Census Bureau and suggested that the Commission move forward with an Ad Hoc Committee to discuss events as well as promotional items.

Chairperson Savage stated that she will be attending the following Commission meetings requesting Commissioner assistance with the 2010 Ad Hoc Committee:

- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Youth Commission
- Business Improvement District Board
- Planning Commission
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Arts & Culture Commission

Chairperson Savage stated that she would contact the Committee to possibly meet on the third week of April. Mayor Gomez was present to offer any help that the City Council may offer to move forward with the events.

***Discussion and/or action regarding a Health Fair sponsored by a local organization:***

Commissioner Flores met with Church representatives from a local church to discuss a Health Fair in April or June. He informed the HEC that they are requesting the participation of the Commission.

***Discussion and/or action regarding Los Angeles Unified School District Resource and Wellness Fair:***

Vice Chair Cesar Zaldivar-Motts volunteered to assist as the HEC liaison for this event. Senior Planner Fontanez informed Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts that a meeting will be held on Saturday, May 16 in South Gate. Mr. Fontanez added that he would provide a flyer at the next meeting regarding this event. Mr. Fontanez also informed the HEC that the focus of the event was “Surviving the Economic Downturn.”

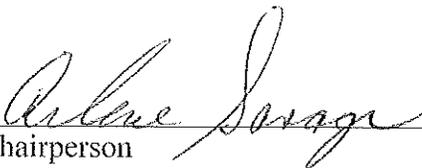
***Information Items:***

Commissioner Flores informed the Commission that his wife along with Councilmember Andy Molina are lobbying for a mobile oncology unit to utilize at the Oldtimers Foundation as well as having it available at various HEC health fairs.

Commissioner Murillo informed the Commission that he will be celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and invited everyone to his celebration at St. Martha’s church with a reception at the Oldtimers Foundation on Saturday, June 6, 2009.

Commissioner Herrera stated that she met Dennis Coleman from Community Hospital and he invited the Commission to the hospital to see what the hospital is doing to serve the residents.

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

  
Chairperson

  
Secretary