

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park  
Health and Education Commission  
held November 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 (6:05 p.m.), Enrique Murillo, Victoria Herrera, Vice Chair Cesar Zaldivar-Motts (6:30 p.m.) and Chairperson Arlene Savage. Also in attendance were Housing and Community Development Manager Manuel Acosta and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

***MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 27, 2009:***

A motion was made by Commissioner Enrique Murillo, seconded by Commissioner Victoria Herrera, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 27, 2009. The motion was unanimously approved.

***PUBLIC APPEARANCES:***

None.

***NEW BUSINESS:***

***A. Discussion and/or action regarding Liberty Tax Service Education Program and Hispanic Initiative: Una Familia Sin Fronteras (A family without boundaries).***

Present to address the Commission was the business owner Bertha Rucal. Ms. Rucal stated that her primary focus is educating the new immigrants on services that would be of benefit to them, along with offering guidance and counseling to the United States Tax system and fiscal and financial responsibility. Ms. Rucal is requesting the Commission's support and guidance on how to reach the Community, and locations in the City to conduct workshops. A discussion ensued.

***B. Discussion and/or action on the Los Angeles County Tobacco Obesity grant:***

Mr. Acosta stated that Danny Bueno from the Parks and Recreation Department attended a meeting in regards to a grant that will be available through the County of Los Angeles from the Centers for Disease Control. The County is applying for 2 grants, one is for tobacco control and prevention and the second grant is for physical activity and nutrition. The deadline to submit the application is December 1, 2009. The CDC will announce recipients in February and the grant money will need to be implemented within 2 years. Staff recommends the Commission to review the application.

***UNFINISHED BUSINESS, DISCUSSION ITEMS, OR GENERAL COMMENTS, PRESENTED BY COMMISSIONERS AND/OR COMMISSION LIAISON:***

*Discussion and/or action regarding the 2010 Census Budget Proposal:*

Mr. Acosta stated that the proposed budget for the Census has been reduced to half. The current Budget is \$31,000 which includes in-kind services. Mr. Acosta has sent the budget to the City Council for their review. Chair Savage recommended accepting \$5,000 for the budget with the exception that if there is a need for more funds, the Commission has the option to approach the City Council to request additional funds.

*Discussion and/or action regarding the promotion of health and education on the local cable TV station:*

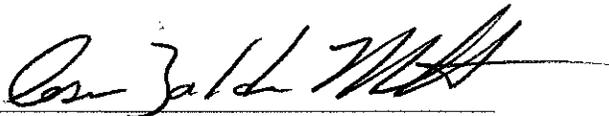
Mr. Acosta informed the Commission that if they propose to have any educational program on the cable channel, Alan Shear, Assistant City Manager, will need to review prior to the viewing.

***INFORMATION ITEMS:***

Mr. Acosta reviewed the agenda for the Affordable Housing Strategy Committee meeting. Their purpose is to plan for affordable housing, both new and old, for the next 5 years, including low income housing. The City has a specific amount of money with which to address the housing needs of the community.

Vice Chair Zaldivar-Motts will be attending the BID's Santa's Village/Technology Fair on Saturday, December 12.

There being no further business, Chairperson Savage adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

  
Chairperson

  
Secretary