

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park
Health and Education Commission
held June 28, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Chair Savage. Present: Commissioners Victoria Herrera, Enrique Murillo, Samuel Flores, and Arlene Savage; Absent: None. Also in attendance were Housing and Community Development Manager Manuel Acosta, Senior Planner Albert Fontanez and Recording Secretary Genny Ochoa.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 26, 2011:

A motion was made by Vice Chair Herrera, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 26, 2011 as presented. The motion carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

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

A. Discussion and/or action regarding goals and objectives for Health and Education in 2011:

After a discussion, the Commission tentatively scheduled the Senior Fair for Friday, October 14, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and appointed Vice Chair Herrera and Chair Savage to the Senior Fair Ad hoc Committee. Senior Planner Fontanez stated that he would begin working on the announcement flyer.

B. Discussion and/or action regarding proposed tobacco regulations:

Senior Planner Fontanez stated that on June 6, the City's Community Development Commission appointed Council Members Elba Guerrero and Rosa Perez to an ad hoc committee to continue with the preparation of three draft ordinances addressing 1) tobacco retail licensing; 2) smoke-free housing; and 3) overall smokefree City policy/regulations, respectively. Mr. Fontanez stated that the proposed regulations target multi-family homes and the elimination of secondhand smoke. Mr. Fontanez stated that staff would present the draft ordinances to the Commission prior to their presentation to the City Council.

C. Discussion and/or action on the All-America City Award:

Senior Planner Fontanez reported that Huntington Park was among 26 cities who competed for the All-America City Award. Mr. Fontanez stated that although not selected as a finalist, the delegation was very pleased with its presentation and was highly complimented by the selection panel. Mr. Fontanez added that the experience gained will be valuable in preparing for the next award application.

D. Discussion and/or action regarding the City's healthy food and beverage policy:

Senior Planner Fontanez stated that on June 6, the City Council approved a resolution adopting a healthy food and beverage policy which becomes effective on July 1, 2011. Mr. Fontanez stated that food vending machine contracts the City enters in must comply with the newly adopted policy.

SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY STAFF:

A. Commission Meeting Dates/Times:

Housing and Community Development Manager Acosta reported that in an effort to relieve some of the City's budgetary constraints, the number of monthly commission meetings would be reduced from two to one. Mr. Acosta added that staff recommended that the start time be changed to 5 p.m. to reduce staff overtime costs. After a brief discussion, the Commission concurred to meet every other month at 5 p.m. until the vacancy on the Commission is filled, at which time the meeting time will be brought back to the Commission for reconsideration. Mr. Acosta stated that a resolution establishing the amended Commission schedule would be presented to the City Council at its second meeting in July.

SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Herrera thanked the Commissioners and staff who helped make the Southeast Cities Relay for Life event a success.

Commissioner Herrera requested that staff provide the Commission with information on the staffing/administration changes being made at Huntington Park High School. Senior Planner Fontanez stated that Los Angeles Unified School District representatives have made informational presentations at recent City Council meetings.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chair Savage adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary