

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park  
Health and Education Commission  
held on February 28, 2012**

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Vice Chair Herrera called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Present: Commissioners Enrique Murillo, Samuel Flores and Vice Chair Victoria Herrera; Absent: Commissioner Victor Dominguez and Chairperson Arlene Savage. 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 NOVEMBER 15, 2011:***

A motion was made by Commissioner Flores, seconded by Vice Chair Herrera, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 15, 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 the Health and Education Commission in 2012:***

Senior Planner Fontanez asked the Commissioners to provide their goals and objectives for 2012 and added that it was necessary for Commissioners and staff to identify the "mission" and purpose of the Commission. The Commissioners identified the following activities/events which they wish to pursue in the new year:

- Senior Health Fair
- Children's Health Fair
- Relay for Life, scheduled for June 23-24
- Community education on healthy eating/active living

Housing and Community Development Manager Manuel Acosta suggested that the Senior and Children's Health Fairs be combined into one major health fair. Mr. Acosta recommended that the Commission focus and select a specific health and/or education-related project to work on within half a year.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Fontanez stated that staff would seek direction from the City Council to determine in what specific area they want to do outreach and educate the public for a successful health and education campaign.

***B. Discussion and/or action regarding a healthy fair by Pacific Boulevard School:***

Commissioner Flores reported on the upcoming Health Fair at Pacific Boulevard School scheduled for March 27, 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Mr. Flores stated that Pacific Boulevard School has the largest special education program within the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) and added that LAUSD wanted to bring awareness to the community of special education needs and available programs. Mr. Flores invited the City to promote the upcoming fair to the community.

Commissioner Flores introduced Mr. Duran, principal of Pacific Boulevard School, who stated that Mr. Flores was an important part of the school's community. Mr. Duran invited the Commissioners to attend the school's health fair, and after a brief discussion, the Commission agreed to participate at the fair with a table promoting the City's Parks and Recreation activity programs. Commissioner Flores and Vice Chair Herrera further agreed that they would assist in distributing fair announcement flyers within the community.

***C. Discussion and/or action regarding the Senior Health Fair:***

(The Senior Health Fair was discussed under Item A.)

***D. Discussion and/or action regarding Safe Routes to School Grant:***

Senior Planner Fontanez stated that the grant funds would be used for infrastructure and pedestrian and bicycle school route improvements surrounding Middleton Elementary School and Middleton Primary Center. Mr. Fontanez added that staff would be submitting the grant application by the March 31, 2012, deadline.

***SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY STAFF:***

None.

***SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY COMMISSIONERS:***

Commissioner Flores reported that a high volume of speeding vehicles exists in the vicinity of 57<sup>th</sup> and 58<sup>th</sup> Streets and stated that a reduction in the speeding vehicles would be likely with the installation of speed bumps. Mr. Flores asked what the procedure was to request

the installation of speed bumps in the City. Mr. Manuel Acosta stated that requests for speed bump installation are considered by the Traffic Authority and recommended that a letter be sent to the Traffic Authority requesting a hearing of the request.

***CLOSED SESSION:***

None.

***ADJOURNMENT:***

There being no further business, Vice Chair Herrera adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m., to Thursday, March 29, 2012, at 11 a.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary