

City of Huntington Park
Youth Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 6, 2017
4:00pm
Salt Lake Park, Lounge
3401 E. Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255

The regular meeting of the Youth Commission of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 4: 06 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2017 in the Lounge at Salt Lake Park, 3401 E. Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Youth Commissioner Zesati.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Kevin Cervantes, Vice Chair Paulina Ramos, Commissioner Nelly Perez, Angel De Santiago, Joel Palma, Kaitlyn Zesati, and Karol Gutierrez. Other City Officials and employees: Josette Espinosa, Director of Parks and Recreation, Lizet Nunez, and Recreation Supervisor, Guillermo Portillo, Management Intern.

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC APPERANCE- None

STAFF RESPONSES- None

MINUTES

Approval of minutes of Youth Commission meeting from February 6, 2017. Item was motioned by Chair Cervantes and second by Vice Chair Ramos. Minutes were approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion and Consider Updating the Work Plan for 2016/2017

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

1. Director Espinosa opened the floor for discussion to the youth commission for any ideas on changes to the Work Plan 2016/2017. The Youth Commission

agreed for the Work Plan 2016/2017 to remain the same and asked for the work plan to remain on the agenda for next month.

Motion: Chair Cervantes motioned to keep the item on the next month's agenda.

Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Ramos

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner De Santiago, Commissioner Palma, Commissioner Gutierrez, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): None

2. Discussion of Action for Youth Commission Newsletter

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

1. Newsletter

Director Espinosa opened the floor for discussion about including the experiences of the youth commission in the city of Huntington Park's newsletter. Commissioner Zesati discussed the importance of promoting the activities that occur during the youth commission in order to promote the benefits of being civically engaged. Vice Chair Ramos discussed promoting the youth commission in the newsletter in order to inform the citizens of Huntington Park about the importance of the youth commission.

Motion: Chair Cervantes motioned to have all commissioners submit a small blurb emphasizing three key statements and must be submitted by March 17, 2017. The first statement must begin with an introduction about yourself. The second statement describing the importance of being a youth commissioner. The third statement including the importance of being civically engaged.

Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Ramos

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner De Santiago, Commissioner Palma, Commissioner Gutierrez, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): None

3. Discussion of Youth Commission partnering up with other agency to provide a College Tour to the public

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

1. College Tour

Commissioners discussed creating an opportunity for the public to visit colleges and universities. Director Espinosa offered a fifty person bus to transport youth once registered at Salt Lake Park. Alternatively, Director Espinosa offered a smaller ten person van under the circumstance, which fifty individuals do not register for the college tour.

Motion: Commissioner Ramos motioned to have a date determined by April 3, 2017 for the college tour.

Motion was seconded by Chair Cervantes

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner De Santiago, Commissioner Palma, Commissioner Gutierrez, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): None

PRESENTATIONS- None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS- None

DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION- Director Espinosa introduced new Management Intern Guillermo Portillo. Parks and Recreation Supervisor Nunez informed the youth commission about the friendly coaches versus staff basketball game, which occurred over the weekend. Additionally, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Nunez informed the commission of the upcoming registration deadlines involving the little kickers' soccer, youth baseball, youth basketball, and girls' basketball.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS- None

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Cervantes welcomed and introduced new youth commissioner Karol Gutierrez. Commissioner Ramos informed the youth commission about the possible delay in the use of swimming pools for the summer due to much-needed maintenance. Additionally, Commissioner Ramos informed the youth commission of the upcoming Health Fair event and asked each member to promote it. Commissioner Perez informed the youth commission of the upcoming walk for hunger event on April 1, 2017, which has partnered with southeast churches and will occur from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:38 p.m. Chair Cervantes adjourned the City of Huntington Park Youth Commission Meeting on Monday, April 3, 2017.