



MINUTES

CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK SPECIAL HEALTH AND EDUCATION COMMISSION

Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

Huntington Park City Hall
City Council Chambers
6550 Miles Avenue
Huntington Park, California 90255

Chairperson Batiste called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

PRESENT: Chair Ebony Batiste, Commissioner Iliana Baltazar, and Commissioner Liselda Fabian.

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director, Steve Forster and Project Manager, Ishah Ahumada.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Batiste

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Council Member and resident, Eddie Martinez gave feedback and guidance. He also agreed on the celebration for the LGBTQ+ event, celebration and recommended family acceptance for LGBTQ+ youth.

STAFF RESPONSES – None

CONSENT ITEMS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT- None

REGULAR AGENDA

1. The First Annual LGBTQ+ Pride Fair

The commissioners rectified that the event will take place on Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 10 AM – 12 PM. Staff confirmed Amazon items have been dropped off. Commissioner Fabian reached out to AltaMed and they will confirm on Saturday. The Google form has been created and 3 people confirmed they will be joining on Saturday. Chair Batiste said several organizations would like to participate but did not confirm attendance and she wants to move forward with the event. Requested the information to be on the City Website and social media websites.

Vice Chair Baltazar is concerned that it has not been posted on social media or the city website. Latino Alliance and Angelito's Bakery were confirmed, and they would bring rainbow conchitas. The Vice-Chair is concerned about the lack of promotion for the event and no vendor confirmation. The Vice-Chair researched the history of the City of Huntington Park and the LGBTQ+ movement and found Rev. Troy Perry started the First LGBTQ+ Church and the first gay marriage. He was the co-founder of the first LA Pride Parade.

The Vice-Chair was not able to confirm dates with potential vendors. Staff was pending confirmation from the Commission if they wanted to promote the event after verifying participating vendors/organizations or panelists. Vice Chair Baltazar's concern was that there were no confirmation or vendors/organizations or panelists. Chair Batiste was not under the impression that the event would possibly be canceled if no confirmation was received.

The Chair Batiste requested a motion to be placed if the event was going to be canceled. Vice-Chair Baltazar requested assistance from Councilmember Martinez's organization to participate in the event and the importance of creating an organized event. Commissioner Fabian motioned to postpone the event and Vice Chair Baltazar seconded the motion. Roll call: Chair Batiste voted no to postpone event, Vice-Chair Baltazar and Commissioner Fabian voted yes to postpone event.

COMMUNICATIONS No written communication to the staff.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

COMMISSION COMMENTS

1. Chair Batiste No comment.
2. Vice Chair Baltazar No comment.
3. Commissioner Fabian No comment.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:37 P.M. the City of Huntington Park Health and Education Commission adjourned to a Special Meeting on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Steve Forster
Community Development Director