# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park Health and Education Commission held February 25, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Arlene Savage. Present: Commissioners Cesar Zaldivar-Motts, Enrique Murillo and Chairperson Arlene Savage. Also in attendance were Director of Community Development Henry L. Gray, Mayor Elba Guerrero, Councilmember Ofelia Hernandez, Assistant Planner Albert Fontanez and Recording Secretary Corinna Luevano.

## Minutes of the Meeting held on January 28, 2008:

A motion was made by Commissioner Savage, seconded by Commissioner Zaldivar-Motts, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 28, 2008, as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion of City Council's request to develop a voluntary program to eliminate the use of artificial trans fats in local food establishments:

Councilmember Hernandez suggested that the Commission advertise the City's plan to eliminate the use of trans fat in all food establishments.

The Commission directed staff to prepare a letter to food establishments encouraging them to participate in a volunteer program to eliminate the use of trans fat. If they are willing to participate, they would be required to sign a pledge form and receive a decal, provided by the City, to display at their business indicating that their menus are trans fat free. In addition, the Commission will notify residents through various means, such as correspondence to the schools, churches and other organizations explaining the details of the program.

Councilmember Hernandez suggested attaching a fact sheet to the letter informing the residents about trans fat and to help explain why the City is initiating this project.

## Public Appearances:

Wendy Guillen, Coordinator for the Pregnancy Prevention Program with Human Services Association, 6800 Florence Avenue, Bell Gardens, California 90201, was present to address and inform the Commissioners on the subject of the "Baby Think It Over" program, which specifically targets 9<sup>th</sup> grade high school students.

Discussion and/or action regarding hosting an enrollment event for the Communities for Healthy Kids Program:

Following a brief discussion, Chairperson Savage requested that this item be continued for further discussion.

#### Discussion on methods to develop local support for the Community and Mission Hospitals:

Following a brief discussion, Chairperson Savage requested that this item be continued to allow for an appointment of another Health and Education Commissioner.

Discussion and or action on developing a Calendar of Events for the Health and Education Commission:

Following a brief discussion, Chairperson Savage requested that this item be continued for further discussion.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

Chairperson Savage declared the meeting resolved into closed session at 7:15 p.m. for:

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957,

PUBLIC APPOINTMENT

Title: Health and Education Commissioner

Following the closed session, the meeting reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Chairperson Savage, seconded by Commissioner Murillo, to recommend to the City Council the appointment of Victoria Herrera as Health and Education Commissioner. The motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business, Chairperson Savage adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary