

City of Huntington Park  
Health and Education Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, April 24, 2018  
4:45pm  
Salt Lake Park, Lounge  
3401 E Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255

The regular meeting of the Health and Education Commission of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 4:47 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 in the Lounge at Salt Lake Park, 3401 E Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Health and Education Chair Robert Cabrales.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Robert Cabrales, Vice Chair Francisco Medina, Commissioner Ebony Batiste, and Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela. Other City Officials and employees: Celica Quinones, Recreation Manager, Guillermo Portillo, Management Intern

**PUBLIC APPERANCE**- None

**STAFF RESPONSES**- None

**MINUTES**

Approval of minutes of Health and Education Commission on March 27, 2018.

**Motion:** Commissioner Robert Cabrales motioned to approve the minutes.

Motion Seconded by Lorena Valenzuela.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Robert Cabrales, Vice Chair Francisco Medina, Commissioner Ebony Batiste, and Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

## REGULAR AGENDA

### **2. Discussion and Consider Updating the Work Plan for 2017/2018**

#### DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

Management Intern Guillermo Portillo offered the commission the opportunity to speak about any other possible items that they would like to include in their work plan. Commissioner Ebony Batiste commented that she would like to include in the work plan some form to recognize exceptional citizens who convey the goals of Health and/or Education. Chair Robert Cabrales mentioned that it would be in the best interest of the commission to hold off on adding more items until completion of the current work plan item. Moreover, he did add that it would be a good idea to start the recommendation process of exceptional citizens to council. Commissioner Ebony Batiste asked how information such as a recommendation would be relayed to city council. Management Intern Guillermo Portillo responded that notes and suggestions by the commission are relayed from the director to council and the city manager during their regular department meetings. Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela recommended that the commission pass a motion to add the item on the work plan in order to begin the process.

**Motion:** Commissioner Ebony Batiste motioned to add to the work plan the assignment of creating guidelines for city council to recognize an exceptional health professional, teacher, student, or organization in the community.

Motion Seconded by Lorena Valenzuela.

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Robert Cabrales, Vice Chair Francisco Medina, Commissioner Ebony Batiste, and Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

### 3. Discussion and/ or Action of the Health and Education Expo

#### DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

Management Intern Guillermo Portillo informed the commission of Alta Med's participation in the Health and Education expo by bringing a mobile unit to offer free health screenings. Additionally, he mentioned details in regards to the fun run and the distribution of shirts. Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela mentioned that it would be a good idea to have a logo for the Health and Education Commission so that members of the public may recognize the commission's involvement in such events and activities. Management Intern Guillermo Portillo requested from the commission an additional meeting to finalize details on the health and education expo. Commissioner Ebony Batiste commented that some of the items that she would like to have purchased would be used to make slime for the kids. Management Intern Guillermo Portillo commented that a list of items needed, where they can be purchased, and a motion to utilize the commission's funds would be needed. The commission discussed and agreed to have a special meeting Tuesday, May 15, 2018 3:30pm inside the Lounge to make the motion for the items to be purchased.

**Motion:** Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela motioned to add an art competition to the work plan to design the logo and shirt for the future health and education expo.

Motion Seconded by Vice Chair Francisco Medina.

#### ROLL CALL:

AYES:	Commissioner(s): Chair Robert Cabrales, Vice Chair Francisco Medina, Commissioner Ebony Batiste, and Commissioner Lorena Valenzuela
NOES:	None
ABSTAINED:	None

**PRESENTATIONS**- None

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Recreation Manager, Celica Quinones informed the commission of the upcoming open streets event on July 22, 2018. Additionally, she informed the commission that there are meetings open to the public, which allows the community to provide input on the overall event.

**DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION-** None

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-** None

**COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Robert Cabrales notified the commission that the Department of Public Health will be conducting blood sampling in south east cities to find out if there are trace amounts of metals in citizens' blood stream. Commissioner Ebony Batiste invited the commission to the Woman's Health Expo at the LA convention center as it offers multiple resources. Vice Chair Francisco Medina informed the commission of his meeting with the Consulate of Mexico as he is encouraging their participation in the event to provide legal advice for the community.

At 5:33 p.m. Chair Robert Cabrales adjourned the City of Huntington Health and Education Commission Meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2018.