

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
TEEN CENTER
5107 ASTOR AVENUE, COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, JULY 7, 2025, AT 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Escobar at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
AND INVOCATION**

Commissioner Terrones led those present in the salute to the flag.

ROLLCALL

Teen Center Supervisor Amber Torres

Present:

Chairperson Jacob Escobar

Vice Chairperson Francheska Coreas

Commissioner Omar Terrones

Commissioner James Padilla

Absent:

Commissioner Jaelyn Ramirez

**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS
PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Escobar tabled this item until the next commission meeting.

**RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE
CHARITIES**

Vice Chairperson Coreas shared her experience visiting the Ronald McDonald House, noting that Senior Recreation Leader Clarissa Canche and Commissioner Ramirez were the only other attendees. She described the visit as a positive experience, highlighting that the tortillas served were "amazing and perfect."

The group prepared food for approximately 25 individuals, though the capacity could have accommodated up to 40. During their time there, they were given a tour of the facility, which included an overview of the accommodation and recreational areas where families stay, and children play.

STAFF REPORTS

Supervisor Amber Torres shared a flyer with the commission regarding the Unplugged Performing Arts Group. The group will be putting on their show 13 Jr. and the commission has been invited to attend, and seats will be reserved.

The regular Teen Center program recently returned from Camp Commerce, where the teens had a great time. Highlights of the Teen Center summer program included a visit to Sky Park, a water slide day, and a fun BBQ at the park. It was a positive experience to see the youth enjoying themselves in an outdoor setting.

Preparations are underway for the upcoming Pre-Teen Camp Commerce, scheduled to take place in the next few weeks.

In addition, the Teen Club has initiated a donation drive to support families affected by recent ICE raids. There are currently a couple of impacted families within the City of Commerce. The city has joined the effort by promoting the drive through social media. The Teen Center has received a significant amount of donations. One batch has already been distributed, and another is being prepared for dissemination. The teens expressed feeling proud and fulfilled to be giving back to their community through this effort.

Chairperson Escobar requested clarification regarding the types of items that could be donated. Ms. Torres responded that all non-perishable donations would be accepted. She specified that items such as toilet paper, laundry detergent, and other household necessities that help individuals avoid going out in public are welcome. Although the drive has officially ended, donations will continue to be accepted and distributed.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Chairperson Escobar shared that he has been very busy with school commitments and preparing for his driver's license, which he is proud to report he has successfully obtained. He was unable to attend the recent Ronald McDonald House event, something he expressed sincere regret about. In an effort to make amends and continue supporting the cause, he has set up a recurring donation of \$50.00. Overall, Chairperson Escobar continues to balance his academic and work responsibilities diligently.

Vice Chairperson Coreas recently began tutoring at the library, which prevented her from attending Camp Commerce, as both started on the same day. In addition to her tutoring responsibilities, she has been focused on schoolwork and has enrolled in a summer calculus course at ASU. She also plans to participate in community activities, including helping make pupusas at the Teen Center this Thursday.

Commissioner Terrones shared that he is currently working on completing his Physical Education (PE) credits over the summer. He mentioned that he has been spending time outdoors and has gotten quite tanned. Additionally, he is enrolled in a child development course at East Los Angeles College (ELAC). Commissioner Terrones also noted that he

was unable to attend the Ronald McDonald House event due to illness. He chose to stay home out of caution, not wanting to risk spreading illness to a particularly vulnerable group.

Newly appointed Commissioner James Padilla was welcomed to the commission by Ms. Torres. Mr. Padilla was invited to share a few words about himself. He mentioned that he is having a relatively quiet summer and recently celebrated his birthday.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Escobar adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m. until August 4, 2025, at 7 p.m.