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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE EDUCATION COMMISSION HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2016, AT 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5655 JILLSON STREET, COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Larios called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Betancourt led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Cornejo gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners: Cornejo, Larios, Betancourt

ABSENT: Rodriguez

STAFF

PRESENT: Senior Librarian Sigrid Hudson and
Administrative Assistant Garcia

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Submitted for approval are the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2016.

Commissioner Larios moved and Commissioner Cornejo seconded to continue the approval of the September 12, 2016 minutes to the November 14, 2016 meeting.

AYES: Larios, Cornejo, Betancourt

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Rodriguez

METROPOLITAN AUTHORITIES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The City Administrator, Jorge Rifá reported on this item:

Mr. Rifá provided information regarding Measure M, a measure that will be on the November 8 ballot. Mr. Rifá informed the Commission that his intension was to give the Commission some facts about the measure and how it impacted the City of Commerce and its residents. He explained why the City Council opposed the measure.

Measure M if approved will result in an indefinite ½ cent sales tax in LA County. The funds collected through this tax will be used to improve roads. However, there are many flaws in the distribution of funds and the timeline of projects.

Mr. Rifá informed the Commission and distributed the city's Report to the People that had an article with information about Measure M, Mr. Rifá also distributed a packet with facts about the measure.

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Discussion followed, the Commission thanked the City Administrator for his report.

STATUS REPORT

The City Administrator, Jorge Rifá reported on this item:

Mr. Rifá asked the Commission if they had any questions regarding the state of the city.

Commissioner Cornejo asked for a status report on the parking lot at Stevens Steakhouse.

Commissioner Larios inquired about Veterans Park and issues the facility is having.

Mr. Rifá addressed these questions, he informed the Commission that staff is working with Stevens Steakhouse on coming up with solutions for their parking issues.

COLLEGE FAIR 2016

Ms. Hudson reported on this item:

There were about 1,131 attendees at this year's college fair. Forty-one colleges and universities participated. Staff was pleased with the event and thank the Commission for their ongoing support and participation.

The Commissioners thanked staff for another great event and for their hard work.

REPORT FROM LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Ms. Hudson reported on upcoming programs for the library including:

- Local Company Donations
- Handbook to Commissioners
- December Meeting
- Comic Book Flyer
- Harry Potter Day
- Pros & Cons of the November Ballot Measures

COMMISSION REPORTS

COMMISSIONER CORNEJO

Reported that staff did a good job at the College Fair.

COMMISSIONER BETANCOURT

Nothing to Report

CHAIRPERSON LARIOS

Welcomed Commissioner Betancourt to the Education Commission. Reported that the FAFSA applications are open as of October 1, 2016. Thanked staff for doing a good job at the College Fair. Ms. Larios attended the Cal State College Conference and received updates on the Cal State processes.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was passed to have the Commission adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m., to Monday, November 14, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers.