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MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION COUNCIL CHAMBERS

5655 JILLSON ST., COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2017 AT 12:30 PM

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Elenes at

12:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AND INVOCATION

Commissioner Gibson led those assembled in the salute to the flag

and the invocation.

ROLL CALL Vice Chairperson: Elenes

Commissioners: Gibson & Ortiz

Absent: Barragan

Staff: Senior Center Supervisor Berroteran

Senior Recreation Leader Perez Sr. Office Specialist Macias

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

APPEARANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Vice Chairperson Elenes motioned to approve the minutes of

January 4, 2017. Commissioner Gibson seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

SENIOR CENTER

VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE

REPORT

Senior Center Supervisor Berroteran reported that the Valentine's Dance will be held on Tuesday, February 14 from 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. There will be a live band and appetizers will be sold. There will be

lots of raffles. There is no entrance fee, however seating is first come first serve. The group that will take a trip to Laughlin will be back that day during that time so it is expected that many of them

will stay for the dance. Staff is expecting a full house.

STAFF REPORTS This month there are many presentations scheduled. A large drop-

down screen has been installed in the Senior Center and it was used today for the LA Opera lecture. It was a excellent presentation. February 15 Metro will do a presentation on how to get metro and bus passes, how to use them. The presenters will also be bringing a machine to issue TAP cards and bus passes on

the spot. February 22 at 12:30-2:30 LA County will be doing a presentation called the Smarter Senior Forum. Topics to be presented will be spotting and avoiding consumer scams, wills, trusts and advanced health care directives, hoarding, how to recognize bullying and what to do about it, recognizing signs of elder abuse.

Next week there is a trip to Americana in Glendale. Those in attendance will do some shopping, go to the movies and have a Vegas buffet at one of the restaurants. March 23 There is a trip from the Atlantic Metro Station to Little Tokyo to have lunch. April 27 there is a trip to the Arboretum with an early dinner afterwards at Clifton's Cafeteria in Downtown. May 11 there is a trip to the Broad Museum and then to the Grove to eat. May 25 there is a trip to Will Rodgers State Park for 3 mile hike. After the hike there will be a picnic lunch. June 8 there is a trip to Redondo Beach for an exercise class on beach. Afterwards participants will enjoy the Redondo Beach Farmer's Market. June 20 there is a trip to Descanso Gardens and a meal afterwards. March 16 there will be a dinner at the Senior Center with more information to come. In April there will be a breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Good Friday. May 10 there will be programs and events to celebrate Mother's Day. Ann and Veronica will start balance classes on Monday. This class will meet every Monday and Wednesday from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. It is a one month program and they have the max 20 people signed up. Melinda will begin her Ceramics Painting Program on Tuesday. This program will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the month of February. There are 2 more sports available and this is a free program. There are LA Opera tickets available to see Tosca on May 7. It's a \$30 special rate and there are a limited amount of tickets

COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Gibson reported that the temperature in the Senior Center is very cold. Senior Center staff is working very hard to fix the problem. The Community Services Task Force meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at the old EOC building at 3:30 p.m. It is for any person to attend so they may recommend and or voice any issues or concerns they may have in the community. For more information you can contact the Community Services Department. People saving seats for special events has been an ongoing problem at the Senior Center. Ann mentioned that it would be good to inform staff as soon as it is being done so that staff can stop it from happening right away.

Vice Chairperson Elenes reported that everyone has been working very hard to get food ready to be distributed at the food bank. Over 300 bags have been packed for the next one. Tomorrow he will be taking a trip with other Seniors to the Cabazon Outlets. There is a full bus for the trip and they are expecting a good trip with very nice weather.

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The next Senior Citizens Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.