

UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5655 JILLSON ST., COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018 AT 12:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Elenes at 12:32 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
AND INVOCATION**

Chairperson Elenes led those assembled in the salute to the flag and the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Chairperson: Elenes
Vice-Chairperson: Ortiz
Commissioners: Barragan, Gibson, & Zambrano

Absent: None.

Staff: Director of Parks & Recreation Lipton
Senior Center Supervisor Berroteran
Senior Office Specialist Macias
Senior Recreation Leader Patricia Perez

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commerce Resident Sharon Basic attended the Measure AA meeting on February 27 and is a member of the committee. She said the bingo equipment was requested during that meeting and approved, however, she feels that should be an item that the City purchases and not through Measure AA funds. She is not against the bingo equipment just feels that it should be paid for through the City. She also mentioned window blinds were approved for the building.

Senior Center patron Ana Maria expressed her gratitude for the new bingo machine that was provided to the Senior Center.

Commerce Resident Gloria Nezahualcoyotl expressed her gratitude for following through with the bingo equipment. It was requested by Senior patron Ana Maria Carrillo and it was fulfilled in a very timely manner. She also had a concern about the new transportation procedures. She said people are not getting picked up and transportation is coming at the right times. She feels that the Senior Center should take over Senior transportation again. She feels the new change is not working for them at the Senior Center.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Zambrano motioned to approve the minutes of February 7, 2018. Commissioner Barragan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

BINGO EQUIPMENT

Director Lipton reported we had been approached by many Seniors who play bingo. At the previous meeting, a Senior patron who was representing the Seniors who regularly play bingo, requested new bingo equipment to replace the old malfunctioning machine. Mr. Lipton assessed the machine and determined that it was too outdated and not cost efficient to keep it and continue repairing it. Plus parts for the old equipment were obsolete. It was recommended that he make a request with the Measure AA committee to fund the new bingo equipment. At the last Measure AA meeting they approved the funding and the Senior Center has been given a new bingo machine for the patrons to enjoy.

Supervisor Berroteran mentioned that it is a really nice machine and it is portable. She is thinking of bringing out the bingo during the next "Burger Bash" and making it the "Burger Bingo Bash."

STAFF REPORTS

Senior Center Supervisor Berroteran reported that there will be another "Burger Bash" on March 15th. They will have SoCal Burgers come to the Senior Center and provide delicious grilled gourmet burgers for the Seniors. They will have a DJ from 4-7 p.m. Resident tickets are \$7 each and non-resident tickets are \$9 each. The Senior education classes have started again. The Alzheimer's Association of Greater LA will be hosting a class on Thursdays at 2 p.m. on how to recognize symptoms of Alzheimer's and how to deal with loved ones in your life who have Alzheimer's. In April classes will be started on Mondays at 1 p.m. with Partners in Care on healthy lifestyle for Seniors. AltaMed will be doing glucose and blood pressure screenings on March 21st. She is looking into getting audio visual equipment for the Center.

March 20 Spring Craft

March 29 Hike at the El Cajon Trail in Yorba Linda and then go shop and eat at the Birch Street Shopping Center in Brea.

March 30 Center is closed for Good Friday

April 4 Metro will be doing a presentation on using public transportation and how to ride the metro.

April 5 Trip to Ronald Reagan Library

April 12 Anthem Blue Cross conducting a class on diabetes management

April 19 Trip to the Victoria Gardens with shopping and lunch

Director Lipton mentioned that Community Dodger night will be coming up on April 13, 2018. The Commissioner will receive one complimentary ticket and additional tickets will be \$30. They can reserve their space on the bus with Senior Office Specialist Macias.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Zambrano was glad that the bingo machine was replaced. He thanked Senior Center staff for always being helpful.

Commissioner Gibson thanked Senior Center staff for all their hard work. They are always very accommodating to the Seniors.

Commissioner Barragan had no report but she wanted to wish everyone a very happy Easter.

Vice Chairperson Ortiz had nothing to report.

Chariperson Elenes reported that he was having some trips coming up and he has full busses. He hopes everyone will enjoy themselves. He said he was looking forward to attending the Miss Commerce Pageant.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:11 p.m. The next Senior Citizens Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 in the City of Commerce Council Chambers.