

**UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED**  
**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE**  
**SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**5655 JILLSON ST., COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA**  
**WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2018 AT 12:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Elenes at 12:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
AND INVOCATION**

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

**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Resident Sharon Rowe addressed the Commission and reported how she attended Camp Commerce for the first time since Camp Manager Ruben Villalobos retired. She was pleasantly surprised on how Recreation Program Manager Tina Fierro and the camp staff handled the camp. There were more activities to choose from with better logistics as far as time frames. She felt Tina and the staff did a great job and she was really liked the changes that were made to the program. She also really enjoyed the water aerobics. She said Lifeguard Ulysses Gonzalez did an excellent job conducting the class. It's the best, by far, water aerobics class she has ever taken. She said hats off to Tina and Ulysses for all the effort they put in.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Gibson motioned to approve the minutes of May 2, 2018. Commissioner Zambrano seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**NON-RESIDENT  
CAREGIVERS ATTENDING  
CAMP COMMERCE**

Supervisor Berroteran addressed the Commission and proposed the policy for non-resident caregivers attending Camp Commerce. She said there will be three main stipulations: the disabled person will have to bring a doctor's note advising they need a caregiver, the caregiver must sleep in the same cabin and attend the same activities as the individual and must be with the individual at all times, and anyone requesting caregivers will be referred to city hall Parks and Recreation admin office for approval and registration. Commissioner Zambrano asked if the caregivers will be covered by

the city insurance when they are at camp. Supervisor Berroteran said yes. Everyone who attends camp is covered under the insurance. Chairperson Elenes made a motion to approve the policy and enforce it and the motion passed unanimously.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Supervisor Berroteran reported that she is in the process of coming up with a “Code of Conduct” for everyone who visits the Senior Center. This will be a required form that everyone must sign and have on file. This is something that Director Lipton has approved for her to proceed with. The Senior Center has been having some issues with some patrons who have been very rude and disrespectful towards her, center staff, and other patrons. By having this form signed and on file, it will give the center authority to dismiss people from the center for inappropriate behavior. The Commissioners expressed their agreement that this would be a very good idea.

There are many trips and activities coming for the rest of the summer. Please refer to your Senior Center brochure for the dates and times.

## **COMMISSION REPORTS**

Commissioner Zambrano reported that he attended the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. He felt it was a wonderful event and really enjoyed it. He also attended the Luau and had a great time with the festivities, food, and musical entertainment.

Commissioner Gibson stressed that she feels it is very important that the city hall main entrance be returned to the entrance at Commerce Way. She feels strongly that it is a more appropriate location for the main entrance to be. It is more visible and it is the main location for many of our city events.

Commissioner Barragan attended the Luau and she had a great time. The food was great, as well as the entertainment and the music.

Vice-Chairperson Ortiz reported that he was glad to be back. He feels the “Code of Conduct” is a great thing to start to have at the Senior Center. He feels some patrons are getting out of hand and they need to be held accountable.

Chairperson Elenes reported that they are very glad to see Vice-Chairperson Ortiz and glad his surgery went well. He will not be having a club meeting this week so he can attend the event at the Senior Center. He attended 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration and it was a great event and the firework show was very good.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m. The next Senior Citizens Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 in the City of Commerce Council Chambers.