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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LIBRARY COMMISSION HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5655 JILLSON STREET, COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Lupercio led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Marquez Cooper gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners: Olga Ureña, Alejandro Mendoza, Antonia
Lupercio, Carmen Marquez Cooper

ABSENT: Connie Arteaga

STAFF

PRESENT: Library Director Beatriz Sarmiento and Administrative Assistant
Liz Garcia

PUBLIC COMMENT

Veronica Loya

Statement Letter from a patron read by Ms. Liz Garcia after Item #2, regarding diversity in the library. Ms. Loya congratulates the library for having an assortment of books available for the public and supports the “Drag Queen Storytime” program.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Ureña moved and Commissioner Mendoza seconded to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of July 23, 2018. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ureña, Mendoza, Lupercio

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Marquez-Cooper

ABSENT: Arteaga

DIVERSITY IN THE LIBRARY PROGRAMMING

Ms. Sigrid Hudson reported on this item:

The Commission received information regarding how the Commerce Children’s collection has been recognized as being diverse and includes. They received a flyer for an upcoming special story time on Saturday, September 15, 2018, at 10:30 a.m., which will include a Drag Performer named Quesadilla.

A discussion followed; The Education Commission, City Administrator and City Council will also be informed of the special event at Rosewood Library. Ms. Sarmiento and the Commission agreed that it is important to have programs at the library that make the people feel included and that are geared toward being inclusive.

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REMOVING BARRIERS FOR CHILDREN

Ms. Sarmiento reported on this item:

The commission was purposed a 30 day scenario of no accrued fines for children library card holders.

- No fines for overdue books for 30 days. After 30 days, the item will be considered lost.
- Automatic renewal of item(s) after 3 weeks.
- Read Away fines in order for the card holder to get under the threshold of \$10.
- Will be for Children's books only.
- Pre overdue notifications can still be sent out.

Commissioner Ureña moved and Commissioner Mendoza seconded to have a 30 day option of no accrued late fees for children and an incentive of Read Away fines to be presented to the Finance Director and to City Council. The motion was approved with the following vote:

AYES:	Ureña, Mendoza, Lupercio, Marquez Cooper
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Arteaga

REPORT FROM LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Commission received the following library related information:

- Received the Library Program brochure for the months of September through October
- The 13th Annual College Fair will be on September 8, 2018, at Rosewood Park. We are expecting 700 – 1,000 people to attend, especially students from middle and high schools.

COMMISSION REPORTS

COMMISSIONER MENDOZA

Commented on the Scholarship Breakfast was a great event and thanked staff.

COMMISSIONER MARQUEZ COOPER

Commented that the Scholarship Breakfast was well planned and a great event.

COMMISSIONER UREÑA

Felt the same regarding Scholarship Breakfast.

COMMISSIONER LUPERCIO

Has family that got to participate in the Scholarship program. She also attended the Alta Med Grand Opening and commented that it was a great event.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was passed to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. to Monday, September 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers.