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

### 5655 JILLSON ST., COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 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 Gibson led those assembled in the salute to the flag

and the invocation.

Chairperson: Elenes **ROLL CALL** 

Vice-Chairperson: Ortiz

Commissioners: Barragan, Gibson, & Zambrano

Absent: None.

Staff: Parks & Rec Assistant Director Adolfo

Marquez

Senior Office Specialist Lisa Macias

Senior Center Supervisor Ann Berroteran

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Senior Center patron Richard Hernandez wished everyone a happy

holiday. Mr. Hernandez mentioned that the two public computers in the Senior need some much needed upgrades. They lack audio and a printer. He also asked if it would be possible to invest in

some software that would read aloud text on the computer.

**SCHEDULED MATTERS** 

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Commissioner Zambrano motioned to approve the minutes of

November 7, 2018. Commissioner Gibson seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION TO THE COMMERCE CASINO AND HOTEL AND JOHN GRIFFO, DIRECTOR OF

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT** 

Senior Office Specialist Lisa Macias read the letter aloud. The letter was to thank the Commerce Casino and Hotel and John Griffo, Director of Business Development for their sponsorship of Santa's Breakfast and their donation of gift cards for the raffle. The

Commission approved the letter and signed.

1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL WINTER BALL Senior Center Supervisor Berroteran reported on the upcoming

winter ball to be held at the Senior Center on January 19, 2019. Tickets will cost \$10 and are now open for purchase. Tickets for non-residents will open up on January 7, 2019. It will be a sit down dinner with entertainment and dancing. The City is subsidizing this

event.

STAFF REPORTS Senior Center Supervisor Berroteran reported that tomorrow is the

holiday baking class. 13 people are signed up and they will be

baking 3 items.

December 7 is a blood pressure check by AppleCare at 9 a.m.

The December 16<sup>th</sup> Descanso Gardens trip is sold out. Several clubs will be having their Christmas lunches during the month at Steven's Steak House. Please refer to the Senior Center brochure for the dates and times of more events. The Senior Center will be closed on December 24 and 25 and January 1. The Center will close at 1 p.m. on December 31.

### COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Gibson thanked Ann and staff for their good work and for always getting their programs and events planned and organized.

Commissioner Zambrano asked Ann if she could put out the information about the Winter Ball, maybe in one the meetings. Some of the Seniors are still asking why it is being changed. Some Seniors are confused and he recommended that it be explained in Spanish as well. He really enjoyed the City Vegas trip and felt the City staff did a great job coordinating and he felt it was really well done. The Veteran's Day Ceremony was a very nice event. He enjoyed Clippers Night and was glad to see a lot of kids and adults attend with the City. He was also glad the seats were not at the very top. Staff did a great job coordinating as it seemed to be a lot or work.

Vice Chairperson Ortiz wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He was concerned about the traffic that greatly increases this time of year for the Citadel. He thinks the City will be involved in a big lawsuit if emergency vehicles cannot get to people's homes because of the extreme traffic jams. Mr. Ortiz also hoped Santa would be good to everyone this year.

Chairperson Elenes wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He loves all the Christmas lights that have been put up. Friday, December 7 the Social Club will be having their Christmas Dinner at the Quiet Canon. It will be a good dinner and he is looking forward to it.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned in memory of Lia Gallegos at 12:55 p.m. The next Senior Citizens Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 in the City of Commerce Council Chambers.