

**CITY OF COMMERCE**  
**SPECIAL NEEDS COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD JUNE 19, 2019, 6:30 P. M.**  
**Council Chambers**

Call to Order

Chairperson Cisneros called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Flag Salute and Invocation

Commissioner Villa and Commissioner Cisneros

Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Cisneros; Bojorquez; Madrigal (arrived at 6:50 p.m.); Villa  
Lozano-Gonzalez (arrived at 7:15 p.m.)

Staff Present: Liaison Moyra Garcia; Senior Office Specialist, Liz Chavez

Public Comment

None

**SCHEDULED MATTERS**

**1. Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Villa motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2019. Commissioner Bojorquez seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**2. Special Needs Commission Reorganization**

(Will revisit after Item #4) Nominations are now open to nominate a new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Commissioner Bojorquez nominated Commissioner Madrigal for Chairperson. Commissioner Cisneros seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Nominations are now open to nominate a new Vice Chairperson. Commissioner Villa nominated Commissioner Bojorquez for Vice Chairperson. Commissioner Madrigal seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**3. Deaf Awareness Month**

Commissioner Cisneros made a motion to vote on tabling this item for the next Special Needs Commission meeting on Wednesday, July 17, 2019. Ayes: Commissioner Villa, Commissioner Bojorquez, Commissioner Cisneros. All were in favor. Motion passed.

#### **4. Special Olympics Torch Run**

Liaison Garcia gave an update on the Torch Run that was held on Thursday June 6, 2019, at 1:45 pm, on the corner of Atlantic and Beverly Blvd. Councilmember Oralia Rebollo, City Staff, children and teens participated in the Run. Liaison Garcia showed a short clip of the event and hopes that next year the Special Needs Commission will participate.

#### **Staff Reports**

Liaison Garcia stated that 10 Resource Agencies participated at the Abilities Walk/Run held on June 14<sup>th</sup>. She said the event turned out well and everyone enjoyed all the activities.

#### **5. Commission Reports**

##### **Commissioner Villa reported the following:**

She stated that she enjoyed the Abilities Walk and had a great time. She did notice that the movie did not have sub-titles.

##### **Commissioner Madrigal reported the following:**

She was pleased with the staff who attended the children in the quiet room. She stated that they worked really well with them and made them feel comfortable.

##### **Commissioner Bojorquez reported the following:**

She also had a great time at the Abilities Walk/Run. Staff was very accommodating with all the children. She suggested for next year, that the area where the Walk/Run started should be split in two sections, one for walking and one for running. She stated that the quiet room was a little dark, but everything else was great.

##### **Commissioner Lozano-Gonzalez reported the following:**

No reports at this time.

##### **Commissioner Cisneros reported the following:**

She expressed that the Abilities Walk/Run was a success, and feels that every year it gets bigger and better. She stated the Band was very animated and colorful. She was happy with the Drum Line and loved how the community and Special Needs children participated with the music and repeated everything the instructor did. She enjoyed the booths and all the entertainment that was provided.

#### **Adjournment**

Chairperson Cisneros adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Next Special Needs Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019.