

**UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED  
MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5655 JILLSON ST., COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020 AT 12:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
AND INVOCATION**

Commissioner Barragan led those assembled in the salute to the flag and in the invocation.

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners:       Zambrano  
                              Elenes  
                              Barragan  
                              Gibson & Ortiz

Absent:

Staff:                   Senior Center Supervisor Ann Marshall  
                              Senior Center Assistant Supervisor  
                              Veronica Jimenez  
                              Senior Office Specialist Denise Raigosa

**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Moyra Garcia, Social Service Coordinator shared she would be available at the Senior Center on Wednesday from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. to explain the Maravilla Foundation No Cost Energy Services. It is a program that assists eligible households in having safer, more energy efficient homes.

Resident Sharon Basic expressed her concerns over the flooring in the dining room area. The floor is bubbling and is slippery. She is concerned about the safety of the Seniors. She has already spoken to City Council about it. She wants to know what type of flooring that was used and would like feedback from the Parks and Recreation Director.

**APPEARANCES AND  
PRESENTATIONS**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of January 8, 2020 were unanimously approved as submitted.

## **SCHEDULED MATTERS**

Senior Center Supervisor, Ann Marshall presented the Senior Citizen Commission each an Older American Nominee packet. The award is through the Hilda Solis office and is for outstanding volunteer service for the city. Ann requested they vote for the two seniors that were nominated for this award. The nominees are Gilly Reyes and Pat Ortiz. After review the Commission unanimously voted for Pat Ortiz.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Letters of Appreciation for Juanita Vasquez, Kazondra Ramos, John Griffo and Kevin Escoto were read and approved by the Senior Citizens Commission.

Senior Center Assistant Supervisor, Veronica Jimenez reported on past and upcoming senior events and excursions.

February & March events and excursion include:

Lunch at Knott's Berry Farm, a free Valentine's Dance, and a free St. Patrick's Day Dance, a trip to the Thousand Oaks Mall and to Trader Joe's.

The Senior Center will be closed on February 17, 2020 for Presidents Day and March 31, 2020 for Cesar Chavez Day.

The Senior Center craft room will be closed February 19 – March 5, 2020 due to the elections.

## **COMMISSION REPORTS**

Commissioner Ortiz shared long time resident Hortencia Rubalcava passed away and sends his condolences.

Commissioner Gibson was told the men's bathroom has a bad odor. She also mentioned she has yet to see police or CSO's patrolling her area. When she was an employee she would patrol twice a week and give citations. People are not using their driveways and garages. She would appreciate it if the city would do something about it.

Commissioner Barragan wishes long time resident Rubalcava to rest in peace.

Vice Chairperson Elenes thought the City Birthday was nice and thanked the city for this event. He was disappointed in the Winter Ball music.

Chairperson Zambrano attended all the city birthday activities, even the Mananitas. Thanked the staff for all the activities. Enjoyed the Winter Dance and agrees with Vice Chair Elenes the music was not what was expected.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m. The next Regular Senior Citizens Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 in the City of Commerce Council Chambers.