

# **CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE**

## **REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING**

### **AGENDA**

**OCTOBER 5, 2021, 6:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1415 SANTA ANITA AVENUE  
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733**



**HELIODORO DUARTE, CHAIRPERSON  
CESIAH ROMO, VICE-CHAIRPERSON  
ISRAEL ALACIO, COMMISSIONER  
VALERIE BECHTOLD, COMMISSIONER  
GERARDO DIAZ, COMMISSIONER**

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1. **ROLL CALL** Commissioners: Alacio, Bechtold, Diaz, Chairperson Duarte, and Vice Chairperson Romo
2. **PLEADGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Commissioner Valerie Bechtold
3. **PRESENTATIONS** None.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

By motion of the Commission Services Commission, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speakers wishing to address the Community Services Commission on any items on the agenda or any other matter, are invited to do so at this time. Pursuant to the Brown Act the Commission cannot discuss or take action on items not on the agenda. Matters brought before the Commission that are not on the agenda may be, at the Commissions discretion, be referred to staff or placed on the next agenda.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and customary and are enacted by a single motion with exception of items previously removed by a member of the Commission during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action of the Consent Calendar.

6.a. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 6, 2021 AND SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**

Staff seeks Commission approval of the Minutes for the Community Services Commission Meeting held Tuesday, July 6, 2021 and Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends Community Services Commission approve the Community Services Commission Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2021 and September 7, 2021.

7. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

7a. **COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Update of Progaming during COVID-19

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends that the Community Services Commission receive and file the report.

8. **COMMISSION REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS**

AB 1234 requires the commission members must briefly report, orally or in writing, on meeting/events attended at City expense (for example luncheons, city special events, conferenced, etc.) at the Community Services Commission meeting following the meeting/event.

**9. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA- NONE**

**10. ADJOURNMENT-** Tuesday, November 2, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

**CITY SOUTH EL MONTE  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 6, 2021  
SOUTH EL MONTE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER  
1415 SANTA ANITA AVENUE  
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Chairperson Diaz called the meeting to order 6:04 p.m.

PRESENT (via Zoom Webinar): Commissioner(s): Alacio, Bechtold, Diaz, Duarte, and Romo

STAFF PRESENT (via Zoom Webinar): Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** -Community Services Commissioner Valerie Bechtold led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. PRESENTATIONS** - None.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Alacio, seconded by Commissioner Bechtold to approve the agenda. Motion carried a 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Alacio, Bechtold, Diaz, Duarte, and Romo

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairperson Diaz opened public comments, there being none, closed public comment.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A motion was moved by Commissioner Alacio, seconded by Commissioner Bechtold to approve Consent Calendar. Motion carried 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Alacio, Bechtold, Diaz, Duarte, and Romo

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

- 6.a.** Approved Minutes for the Regular Community Services Commission Meeting held Tuesday, May 1, 2021.

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**7a. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Recreation Supervisor Ariana De La Cruz presented the staff report summarizing programing pertaining to the Parks and Recreation Division including youth sports, after school programing, upcoming events, and aquatic programing.

Recreation Supervisor Ariana De La Cruz shared the hours of operation of the Aquatic Center and introduced a new senior water aerobics program that will held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

## **8. COMMISSION REPORT, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPOTS**

Commissioner Alacio announced he participated in the Sexual Harassment Training via Zoom and attended the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Event at New Temple Park.

Commissioner Duarte announced he participated in the Sexual Harassment Training via Zoom.

Commissioner Romo announced she participated in the Sexual Harassment Training via Zoom and attended the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Event at New Temple Park.

## **9. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA**

### **9a. COMMISSIONER CESIAH ROMO**

#### **1. National Night Out Drive-Thru details.**

Recreation Supervisor Ariana De La Cruz informed the commission on the details pertaining to the Night Out Event including the event layout, list of booths, and plans of combining it with a backpack giveaway and movie night.

## **10. RECONVENE AND ADJOURN COMMISSION MEETING**

There being no further business coming before this body, Chairperson Diaz adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m. to a commission meeting on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

**CITY SOUTH EL MONTE  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021  
SOUTH EL MONTE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER  
1415 N. SANTA ANITA AVENUE  
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733**

**11. ROLL CALL**

Chairperson Diaz called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT (via Zoom Webinar): Commissioners: Diaz, Duarte

ABSENT: Alacio, Bechtold, Romo

STAFF PRESENT (via Zoom Webinar): Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

**12. AJOURNMENT**

Due to a lack of a quorum Mrs. De La Cruz adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m. to the next commission meeting on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.



# Commission Agenda Report

**DATE:** September 27, 2021  
**TO:** Community Services Commission  
**From:** Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor  
**Subject:** Monthly Report for September 2021

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**SUMMARY:** The health and safety of our community continues to be the highest priority for the City of South El Monte. We are following the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC, as well as state and local authorities, and are staying informed on best practices. The Recreation Division is focused on helping our community live safely, healthy, and independently in their own homes. In respect to the current health order from the Department of Public Health, the department continues to offer in-person after school programs, day camps, aquatic programs, youth sports, and adult sports.

**After School Programs:** The Division is currently operating three (3) after school programs; After the Bell held at the Community Center, New Temple After School Program held at New Temple Park, and the Mini Center After School Program held at the Mini Center all serving the children in the community.

**Youth Sports Programs:** The Youth Boxing Program is currently open to participants 16 years and younger. The program has been modified to ensure the safety of the participants. Three different class sessions have been implemented with designated times to limit the number of participants and allow staff time to disinfect all areas of the gym.

Registration is now being accepted for the youth basketball league for all four (4) divisions. The league is scheduled to begin November 15, 2021, for practices and games will be held beginning December 4, 2021. The youth basketball league provides a safe and complete environment for children grades kinder through eight to learn and play basketball.

**Adult Sports:** The Adult Basketball League host games every Wednesday beginning at 6:30 p.m. The League composed of six (6) teams will conclude with the championship game on October 28, 2021.

**Reservations:** The City is currently allowing reservation of the Mary Van Dyke Community Room and outdoor Gazebo. All other facilities such as the Community Center and Senior unavailable at this time.

The El Monte/ South El Monte Jets organization is currently hosting their 2021 season at New Temple Park. The organization meets every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. until November.

South El Monte AYSO Soccer organization is currently hosting their 2021 season at Dean L. Shively Park. The organization meets every Monday through Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with games on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Brewers baseball team is currently meeting at New Temple Park on Monday and Fridays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Special Events:** On September 2, 2021, the department held the End of the Summer Concert featuring a Selena cover band and the Funky Hippezz band. The concert provided a night full of music, dance, food and two special appearances by boxing world champions Arnold Barbosa and Joseph Diaz Jr.

On September 25, 2021, the department held the annual Fire Station 90 Appreciation Day at the City Hall front lawn. The event began at 9:00 a.m. with a complimentary breakfast composed of pancakes, eggs, sausage, and drinks for all the fire fighters, families of fire fighters, and residence in attendance. The event concluded with a certificate presentation to the Fire Station 90 chief and an award raffle for the event attendees.

Contract Classes: Uplift with Lauren, a Zumba class, is held every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at the Community Center. Classes begin at 6:30 pm and cost \$5.00 per class.

**Programs Offered in a Modified Capacity:**

- After School Programs
- Aquatics Programs
- Sports Clinics
- Child Development Programs
- Youth Sports
- Reservations
- Adult Sports

**Upcoming Events**

- Harvest Festival
- Veterans Day Ceremony

**Open Facilities:**

- Community Center (limited hours)
- City Parks
- Outdoor Playgrounds
- Skate Park
- Tennis Courts
- Basketball Courts
- Aquatic Center
- Mary Van Dyke Community Room and Gazebo

**Closed Facilities**

- Senior Center
- Indoor Rental Halls

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and File.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

**DISCUSSION:** Staff is open to receiving feedback on programs and events.

**ATTACHMENTS:** N/A

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



# FAMILY

# HARVEST FESTIVAL

**SOUTH EL MONTE  
COMMUNITY OUTREACH  
FEATURING:**

- GAMES
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
- SNOW CONES
- POPCORN



**Saturday  
OCT  
30TH**

**6 PM - 9 PM**  
CITY HALL FRONT LAWN  
1415 SANTA ANITA AVE.  
SOUTH EL MONTE

FREE FOOD | TRICK-OR-TREATING

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\*SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION BASED ON COVID-19 RESTRICTION AT THE TIME OF THE EVENT.  
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 626-579-2043.

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# TURKEY DASH & TROT SKIK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 202

SOUTH EL MONTE CITY HALL

1415 SANTA ANITA AVE

1K KIDS RACE - 8:30 A

5K RACE - 9:30 A

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## REGISTRATION

### Online Registration

Fee: \$10.00 per participant

Online Registration Link: <https://register.chronotrack.com/r/62766>

### Walk-in Registration

South El Monte Community Center, 1530 Central Ave.

Monday - Friday from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Resident Fee: \$5.00

Non-Resident Fee: \$10.00

\*Must bring proof of South El Monte residency for fee.

Event Day Registration starting at 7:30 AM

\*Event subject to change or cancellation based on COVID-19 restrictions at the time of the event.

For more information, please call 626 579-2043.



# FREE T-SHIRT

with pre-registration before November 5th



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# Commission Agenda Report

**DATE:** September 27, 2021  
**TO:** Community Services Commission  
**From:** Andrés González, Senior Services Supervisor  
**Subject:** Monthly Report for September 2021

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**SUMMARY:** The health and safety of senior citizen residents continues to be the highest priority for the City of South El Monte. We are following the most up-to-date guidance from the CDC, as well as state and local authorities, and are staying informed on best practices. The Senior Services Division is focused on helping seniors live safely, healthy, and independently in their own homes. During COVID-19, our services are especially vital in keeping seniors safe at home and limiting their exposure through personalized care and support.

**Program Updates:** During the month of September, the Senior Services Division continued to offer outdoor in-person programs for seniors. Pre-registration was required to attend in-person activities and the attendance was limited to ensure social distancing. Programs consisted of Outdoor Bingo, Arthritis Exercise, Senior Water Aerobics, Senior Cross Stitching and Bingocize. In September, staff brought back two senior favorites Zumba and Crafts.

**Home Activities for Seniors:** Senior Services staff prepared and delivered a Do-It-Yourself Fall Pumpkin wreath kit. The kit included a pumpkin wreath frame, flowers, beads, along with step-by-step instructions for seniors to follow as they created their own personalized fall wreath for their home.

**Monthly Themed Newsletter:** Each month, the Senior Services Division creates a monthly themed newsletter to help keep seniors engaged with the community and to provide service updates. The newsletter also serves as a medium to keep seniors informed on upcoming City sponsored events, fun games along with health and exercise tips. The September newsletter included tips on food safety and cholesterol.

**Daily Senior Wellness Calls:** Calls are made to seniors by City staff and Commissioners. These calls offer meaningful conversations and an opportunity to check that seniors are safe and not in need of additional assistance.

**Virtual Wellness Programs:** Partners in Care Foundation continued to provide evidence-based programs online that focus on keeping seniors healthy, mentally engaged, entertained, and safe in their homes. Programs include: Arthritis Foundation Exercise, Bingocize, and Chronic Disease Self-Management Programs.

**Nutrition Services:** The Senior Services Elderly Nutrition Program continued to provide home-delivered meals to safeguard seniors from having to leave home to secure a meal. During the month of August 5,290 meals were delivered to over 190 unduplicated seniors.

**Transportation Services:** City staff provided transportation services to eligible residents who do not drive. Our services ensure that seniors continue to live independently in their community. Transportation services were provided to medical appointments, grocery shopping and personal trips. See attached September report.

In September, the Transportation Division worked closely with Ecolane USA, Inc to integrate a new dispatch software. The new software will be used to modernize and digitize the City's Transportation Department by using Ecolane's web-based software to schedule, route, and dispatch drivers. The new system went into use on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Staff meetings:** Staff attended the following meetings for information gathering, training, and networking:

- Nutritional Q&A Meeting with CNS Dietician on September 28<sup>th</sup>
- Weekly Tuesday meetings with Ecolane for the new transportation dispatch software
- Staff participated in a Zoom meeting with the County to discuss the Elderly Nutrition Program on September 9<sup>th</sup>

The Senior Center will remain closed to the public until the City enters Phase 4: End of Stay at Home Order.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and File.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

**DISCUSSION:** Staff is open to receiving feedback on programs and events.

**ATTACHMENTS:** N/A



## City of South El Monte

### Transportation Monthly Report

<b>September 2021</b>						
Trip Purpose	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
<b>Excursion</b>	0	0	0	5	1	6
<b>Medical</b>	30	33	13	43	6	125
<b>Personal</b>	25	57	1	3	0	86
<b>School</b>	0	0	31	63	13	107
<b>Senior Center</b>	0	0	17	48	13	78
<b>Shopping</b>	0	0	0	3	4	7
<b>Total for period</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>409</b>