



CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING

AGENDA

NOVEMBER 2, 2021, 6:00 P.M.

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

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

1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Alacio, Bechtold, Diaz, Duarte, and Romo

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Commissioner Gerardo Diaz

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 OCTOBER 5, 2021

Staff seeks Commission approval of the Minutes for the Community Services Commission Meeting held Tuesday, October 5, 2021.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends Community Services Commission approve the Community Services Commission Meeting Minutes of October 5, 2021.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Update of Programing

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

COMMISSIONER CESIAH ROMO

1. Holiday Movie and Craft Fridays for the month of December
2. Host farmers market in the after-school city programs for the kids only.
3. Explore opportunity for Community Services Commissioners to be more involved in the planning process of City events for the community?

10. ADJOURNMENT

Tuesday, December 7, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

CITY SOUTH EL MONTE
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2021

1. ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT Commissioners: Alacio, Bechtold, Diaz, Duarte, and Romo

Also, Present: Nancy Rodriguez, Recreation Specialist and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Valerie Bechtold led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENTATIONS None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Duarte opened Public Comments.

Seeing that there are no public comments at this time Chairperson Duarte closed Public Comments.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Romo 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.

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

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Ms. Rodriguez provided a Community Services Department program update.

8. COMMISSION REPORT, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPOTS

Commissioner Diaz attended the South El Monte/El Monte Chamber of Commerce Car Show. He also attended the last summer concert.

Commissioner Romo attended National Night Out and the last summer concert.

9. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA None.

10. AJOURNMENT

There being no further business coming before this body, at 6:09 p.m. Chairperson Duarte adjourned the meeting to a regular meeting on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.



Commission Agenda Report

DATE: November 2, 2021
TO: Community Services Commission
From: Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: Monthly Report for October 2021

SUMMARY: The health and safety of our Community continues to be the highest priority for the City of South El Monte. We are continuing to follow 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 and healthy post the Pandemic.

In the month of October, the Department of Public health current health order continued to allow after school programs, day camps, aquatic programs, and adult sports. This health order allowed the recreation division to offer in person programs such as Soccer Clinics, Youth Basketball Camp After School Programs (indoor), The Baby Lab, Recreation Swim, Lap Swim, and a Senior Aerobics Class. The youth sports experienced a new health order where all players participating in competitive play must show proof of a negative test result within 48 hours of game time. This restriction obligated the department to change the league to an outdoor league. Registration for the youth basketball league concluded in October. Season is scheduled to begin on December 4th.

Adult Basketball League concluded in October. Playoff games and championship game were held on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 and concluded the successful 2021 league.

The current health order allows for parks and fields to be fully available to the public. The Jets have begun their season playing games and hosting practices at New Temple Park. Their season is scheduled to end in November. Brewers Baseball is currently using fields at Shively Park to host games and tournaments. AYSO has also begun their season using Shively Park fields.

The City is only allowing facility reservation in the outdoor facilities such as the Mary Van Dyke Gazebo.

The Youth Boxing Program is currently open to the youth. The program has been modified to ensure the safety of participants by reducing the number of participants per age group.

Designated times have been determined to train participants and allow staff to disinfect all areas in the gym.

In the month of October, the City offered a March and Resource Fair in efforts to end Domestic Violence on Wednesday, October 27th. The event offered a resource fair, a program where 3 Domestic Violence survivors shared their testimony, a march and a luminaria ceremony.

The department also hosted the Annual Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 30th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at City Hall Front Lawn. The event featured many activity and trick or treating booths for the children, bounce houses, a live band, hot dogs, and crafts at no cost to all attendees.

Programs Offered in a Modified Capacity:

- Virtual Recreation Classes
- Weekly-At-Home Activities
- Aquatics Programs

Upcoming Events:

- Veterans Day Ceremony
- 5K & 1K Turkey Trot
- Thanksgiving Boxing Show

What's Open:

- City parks
- Outdoor playground
- Skatepark
- Tennis Courts
- Basketball Courts
- Mary Van Dyke Gazebo
- Community Center

Closed

- 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



VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

**NOV 11
11 AM**



CITY HALL FRONT LAWN
1415 SANTA ANITA AVE.
SOUTH EL MONTE

Food & beverages will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 626-579-2043.

City of South El Monte Community Services Department

TURKEY DASH & TROT 5K/1K

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

SOUTH EL MONTE CITY HALL

1415 SANTA ANITA AVE.

1K KIDS RACE - 8:30 AM

5K RACE - 9:30 AM



Parks
Make
Life
Better!

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



FREE T-SHIRT

with pre-registration before November 5th



*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.



Commission Agenda Report

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

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 October, 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, Bingocize, Zumba and Crafts.

Halloween Drive-Thru Event: On Friday, October 29th the Senior Services Division hosted their annual Halloween festivities. Seniors dressed up in their favorite Halloween costume and they were greeted by staff and City Council. Each participant received a special Halloween themed goodie bag that was filled with goodies. Participants also received a hot lunch and a dessert.

Home Activities for Seniors: Senior Services staff prepared and delivered a Do-It-Yourself Halloween 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 October newsletter included information on Breast Cancer Awareness and tips to stay safe during an earthquake.

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 October 4,375 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 October report.

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

- Nutritional Q&A Meeting with CNS Dietician on October 14th

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

October 2021						
Trip Purpose	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
Excursion	2	2	0	0	0	4
Medical	4	37	34	38	27	140
Personal	0	2	0	8	0	10
School	12	52	52	63	27	206
Senior Center	1	43	29	30	21	124
Shopping	0	7	4	0	0	11
Total for period	19	143	119	139	75	495