

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING

AGENDA

February 1, 2022, 6:00 P.M.

(Via Zoom Webinar Only; Due to Covid-19 Pandemic and AB 361, City Council Chambers is Temporarily Closed to the Public)



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**INGRID AGUILAR, COMMISSIONER
ISRAEL ALACIO, COMMISSIONER
GERARDO DIAZ, COMMISSIONER
CESIAH ROMO, COMMISSIONER
HORTENCIA VASQUEZ, COMMISSIONER**

1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Aguilar, Alacio, Diaz, Romo, and Vasquez.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Commissioner Ingrid Aguilar

3. PRESENTATIONS None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of the Community 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 the exception of items previously removed by a member of the Community Services Commission during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

6a. CONDISERATION AND APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 21, 2021.

Staff seeks Commission approval of the Minutes for the Community Services Commission Meeting held Tuesday, December 21, 2021.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the Community Services Commission approve Community Services Commission Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2021.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. COMMISSIONERS INTRODUCTIONS

7b. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Update of Recreation Programing

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

7c. ROTATION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

The Community Services Commission will rotate the Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson position among its members every two months respectively.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the Commission approve the rotation of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson every two months.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

AB 1234 requires that commission members must briefly report, orally or in writing, on meetings/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

10. ADJOURNMENT

Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 21, 2021**

1. ROLL CALL

Chairperson Bechtold called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners: Alacio, Bechtold, Duarte

PRESENT (Via Zoom Webinar): None

ABSENT: Commissioners: Diaz and Romo

Also, Present: Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Heliodoro Duarte led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENTATIONS None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Alacio, seconded by Bechtold and carried 3-0 to approve the agenda.

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

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Diaz and Romo

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Duarte opened Public Comment.

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

6a. Minutes for November 2, 2021.

A motion was made by Alacio, seconded by Bechtold and carried 3-0 to approve Consent Calendar.

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

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Diaz and Romo

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mrs. De La Cruz provided a Recreation Department update of programs and events.

8. COMMISSION REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

Chairperson Bechtold attended the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Commissioners Alacio attended the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Commissioner Duarte attended the Veterans Day Ceremony and the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

9. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business coming before this body, at 5:57 p.m. Chairperson Duarte adjourned the meeting to a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Commission Agenda Report

DATE: February 1, 2022

TO: Community Services Commission

From: Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor

Subject: Monthly Report for January 2022

SUMMARY: The health and safety of our Community is 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, healthy, and independently in their own homes. During this current surge of COVID-19, our services are especially vital in keeping community members safe at home and limiting their exposure through virtual and outdoor programming.

Current Programs Offered:

- Virtual Recreation Classes
- Weekly-At-Home Activities
- Outdoor After School Programs
- Zumba Outdoor Classes
- T-Ball Clinics
- Youth Basketball League

Monthly Themed Newsletter

The Recreation Division uses the monthly newsletter to help keep the community engaged. The newsletter also serves as a medium to keep residents informed about upcoming City sponsored events, virtual contest, virtual rec classes, along with health and exercise tips.

Recreation Services Webpage & Instagram

The City's Recreation webpage continues to be updated regularly with new virtual and outdoor programming and resources available during the COVID-19 pandemic. The website includes a Virtual Recreation program and a Resource Center with links to weekly activities such as cooking demos, arts & crafts, health & wellness activities, virtual tours, and science projects. The Recreation Instagram showcases the monthly contests and winners, recreation classes, clinics and

any special events hosted by the department.

Past Holiday Community Events:

- Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway
- Holiday Home Decorating Contest
- Santa’s Community Visits

Upcoming Events:

- Baby Pageant
- T Ball League

What’s Open:

- City parks
- Outdoor playground
- Skatepark
- Tennis Courts

Closed

- Aquatic Center
- Community Center
- Senior Center
- Boxing Gym
- Basketball Courts
- Rental Halls

The Community Services Department is currently hosting an ongoing Covid 19 Testing clinic at the Community Center Parking Lot. The City partnered with Total Testing Solutions to offer this resource at no cost to the Community. The clinic is offered Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. from 4:30 p.m. with an appointment.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and File.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

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

ATTACHMENTS: T-Ball & T-Ball Skills Clinics

T-BALL

For Boys and Girls Ages 4-6

The T-Ball Program is a non-competitive program focused on fun, fitness, and fundamentals where players ages 4-6 are first introduced to the basics of baseball.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Residents: January 3, 2022 - February 4, 2022

Fee: \$40 (Sibling discount available for residents)

Non-Residents: January 24, 2022 - February 4, 2022

Fee: \$67

*Must bring proof of child's age to register.



Registration space is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Register at the South El Monte Community Center,
1530 Central Ave.

Monday - Friday from 1:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED

We are looking for volunteer coaches for the 2022 season. To become a volunteer coach you must fill out a volunteer application and pass a background check.



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*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

T-Ball Skills Clinic

Boys and Girls

Ages 4-6

January 31, 2022 - February 11, 2022

(Monday-Thursday)

Participants will go through a variety of t-ball specific skill development drills and exercises all while observing COVID-19 protocols.

4 Years Old 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

5 Years Old 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

6 Years Old 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm

Registration begins January 3, 2022

Fee: \$10

Space is limited due to COVID-19 health guidelines.

Register at the South El Monte Community Center
1530 Central Ave., Monday - Friday from 1:00 pm - 8:30 pm.

REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

MUST BRING PROOF OF CHILD'S AGE TO REGISTER
(BIRTH CERTIFICATE, MEDICAL CARD, ETC.)



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For more information, please call 626-579-2043.



Commission Agenda Report

DATE: February 1, 2022
TO: Community Services Commission
From: Andrés González, Senior Services Supervisor
Subject: Monthly Report for January 2022

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: In response to the increase in community transmission of COVID-19 and the predominance of the more easily spread Omicron variant of the COVID-19 all senior programs were cancelled in January and postponed until further notice. City staff notified seniors who participated in the programs of the cancellation. Staff will continue to monitor Covid-19 cases to assess when it is safe to begin offering in-person programming.

Covid-19 Vaccines: On Thursday, January 13th, the City in partnership with Chinatown Service Center hosted a COVID-19 vaccine clinic in the evening inside of the South El Monte Senior Center. 155 vaccines were provided to kids, adults and seniors for free. The City will host another clinic with Chinatown Service Center in February.

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 January newsletter included at home workout routines for seniors to perform safely at home.

Weekly Senior Wellness Calls: Staff continued make calls to seniors. The calls are used to provide a meaningful conversation and an opportunity to check that seniors are safe and not in need of additional assistance.

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 January 4,142 meals were delivered to over 162 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, personal trips and to the South El Monte Senior Center. Trips are also provided to students who participate in the city-sponsored after-school program. See attached January report.

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

- Nutritional Q&A Meeting with CNS Dietician on January 21st

The Senior Center has reopened for some in-person programming, however the congregate meal program remains closed until further notice.

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 Senior Services / Transportation
Division**

January 2022					
Trip Purpose	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Total
Excursion	0	0	0	0	0
Medical	47	34	35	17	133
Personal	0	3	2	1	6
School	48	65	52	26	191
Senior Center	0	0	8	0	8
Shopping	0	0	3	0	3
Total for period	95	102	100	44	341



Commission Agenda Report

DATE: February 1, 2022
TO: Community Services Commission
From: Ariana De La Cruz, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: ROTATION OF CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

SUMMARY: The Community Services Commission will rotate the Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson position among its members every two months respectively.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: STAFF RECOMMENDS that the Commission approve the rotation of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson every two months.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

DISCUSSION: The rotation of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will be conducted every two months. Every commissioner will have the opportunity to serve as the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Commission. The rotation will begin in the month of March and will initiate based on alphabetical order by the Commissioners last name.

ATTACHMENTS: N/A