

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 2, 2019 6:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1415 N. SANTA ANITA AVENUE
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733**

1. ROLL CALL

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

PRESENT: Commissioner: Anguiano, Blanco, Carrillo, Marquez, Ortega-Jasso, Parra, and Portillo.

Also Present: (Deputy City Manager) Rachel Barbosa, (Recreation Coordinator) Jayson Perez, and (Senior Recreation Leader) Noelia Saucedo.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Parra led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENTATION None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Blanco, seconded by Anguiano and carried (7-0) to approve the agenda.

AYES: Commissioners: Anguiano, Blanco, Carrillo, Marquez, Ortega-Jasso, Parra, and Portillo
NAYS: None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. MINUTES

March 5, 2019 – Regular Minutes

A motion was made by Marquez, seconded by Anguiano and carried (7-0) to approve the above referenced minutes.

AYES: Commissioners: Anguiano, Blanco, Carrillo, Marquez, Ortega-Jasso, Parra, and Portillo
NAYS: None.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS None.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. HOME BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST – QUARTER TWO (2) NOMINATION

Mr. Perez presented a report for the Home Beautification Contest Program – Quarter two (2). He asked that the Commission aid in the promotion of the program and seek nominations to review at the Community Services Commission Meeting on June 4, 2019.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa stated that the winner from the first quarter will be recognized at the next Council meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. and invited the Commissioner to attend.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso asked if the Home Beautification Contest is a task the Community Services Commission must partake in.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa stated that the Beautification Contest Program was approved by the City Council, and the Community Services Commission accepted the role of reviewing nominations and selecting the quarterly winners.

9. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Carrillo stated that she would search for nominations for the Home Beautification Contest.

Commissioner Marquez thanked the City for allowing him to attend the CPRS Conference in Sacramento.

Commissioner Blanco stated that she has not seen any change in the “Enter” and “Exit” signs in the senior center parking lot.

Commissioner Blanco stated that there are many new programs at the senior center since Mr. Gonzalez has been supervising the senior center.

Commissioner Blanco also mentioned that she attended the T-Ball Opening Day.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso mentioned that lights at New Temple Park are dim on the basketball court. He also mentioned that the one of the basketball rims is crooked and that there is an uneven slab of cement over by the snack bar near the benches.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso asked for an update on the adult basketball league. In response, Mr. Perez stated that the league is scheduled to start August 28, 2019. Mr. Perez stated that the flyer was created and staff will promote the league on the City website, Facebook, reader boards and in the City newsletter.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso mentioned that in back of the Buy Low Market there seems to be an encampment of homeless patrons.

Commissioner Anguiano mentioned that at an AYSO meeting at Mary Van Dyke Park, a parent reported to him that there was homeless patron sleeping in back of the Community Room. Commissioner Anguiano stated maybe if the lighting at Mary Van Dyke was brighter it could help with the situation.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa reminded commissioners to call 911 or the Temple City Sherriff Station if anyone is threatened or fears for their safety.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso asked that Commissioners Portillo and Parra participate more.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa suggested that Commissioners Portillo and Parra report on activities at the high school.

Commissioner Parra stated that the El Monte/South El Monte Royal Court will be participating in a Royal Tea Party at Mary Van Dyke on June 22nd from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. sponsored by El Monte/ South El Monte Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Carrillo stated that the principal from South El Monte High School sent out a letter stating that a student was approached by a stranger in the bridge over the 60 Freeway and to be aware.

10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

a. CHAIRPERSON JOSHUA ORTEGA-JASSO

1. Walkthrough of City Facilities.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso suggested that the Community Services Commissioners conduct a walkthrough of the Recreation Facilities.

2. Requesting City emails for Community Services Commissioners.

Chairperson Ortega-Jasso asked if they Community Services Commissioners can have City emails.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa stated that email accounts are not included in the City's IT budget and that the City is currently downsizing the amount of City-wide email accounts.

b. COMMISSIONER HILDA CARRILLO

1. Sports Complex.

Commissioner Carrillo asked if there is a property in the City that can be converted into a sports complex.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa asked Commissioner Carrillo if her vision of the sports complex would be different from the Community Center.

Commissioner Carrillo suggested it should resemble the South El Monte High School sports complex. She stated that she envisions outdoor fields, basketball courts, and soccer, football, and baseball fields.

2. Quality of City Programs.

Commissioner Carrillo expressed concern about inexperienced coaches of City youth sports programs.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa stated that all youth sports coaches are either volunteers or recreation leaders who are assigned if there is a shortage of volunteers.

c. **COMMISSIONER CARLOS MARQUEZ**

1. **The possibility of installing exercise equipment at the City Park.**

Commissioner Marquez stated that when he was at the CPRS conference he spoke to builders about installing exercise equipment adjacent to the playground. He mentioned that this would allow parents to watch over their children while they exercise. Commissioner Marquez would like to see exercise equipment installed at all City Parks.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa stated that staff is currently searching for grants to fund the installation of exercise equipment at City parks.

Deputy City Manager Barbosa reminded the Community Services Commissioners about the AB 1661 Workplace Harassment training and to please have it completed as soon as possible.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business coming before the body, Chairperson Ortega-Jasso adjourned the meeting at 7:11 PM.