

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 28, 2018 6:00 P.M.
SENIOR CENTER DINING ROOM,
1556 CENTRAL AVENUE
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairperson Del Rio (Yolanda) called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners: Del Rio (David), Del Rio (Yolanda), Figueroa, Lopez (Naomi), and Lopez (Rudy)

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Figueroa led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENTATIONS None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Figueroa and seconded by Del Rio (David) and carried (5-0) to approve the agenda.

AYES: Commissioners: Del (David), Del Rio (Yolanda), Figueroa, Lopez (Naomi), and Lopez (Rudy)

NAYS: None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Del Rio (Yolanda) opened closed public comments after determining there was no one wishing to speak.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 24, 2018

A motion was made to approve the by Figueroa and seconded by Lopez (Rudy) and carried (5-0) to approve the corrected minutes. Commissioner Lopez led the flag salute at the October 24th meeting

AYES: Commissioners: Del (David), Del Rio (Yolanda), Figueroa, Lopez (Naomi), and Lopez (Rudy)
NAYS: None.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** None.

8. **STAFF REPORT**

a. **REQUEST TO PLACE A BOX AT ALL CITY FACILITIES TO COLLECT CLOTHING AND ITEMS FOR HOMELESS VETERANS**

The Patriotic Commission is requesting to place a box at all City facilities to collect clothing and items for homeless veterans. The Patriotic Commission would like the City to offer and maintain the collection boxes at each City facility.

STAFF RECOMMENDS that the Commission work with local agencies that already provide collection and distribution of items for homeless veterans in the City.

9. **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

Commissioner Lopez (Naomi) would like send a letter to Mr. Mark Tavera on behalf of the Patriotic Commission to thank him for donating Thanksgiving Baskets to those families that currently have a family member with a military banner installed.

Commissioner Figueroa provided a report on her attendance at the Veterans Day Ceremony.

Commissioner Figueroa provided a report on her intent to contact Congresswoman Linda Sanchez and Congresswoman Grace Napolitano's office to ask if there is any possibilities for them to donate lapel pins to the Patriotic Commission to help fundraise for the Military Banner Program.

10. **COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA**

CHAIRPERSON DEL RIO

1. Request clarification in regards to who is responsible to pay the \$100 for the Military Banners.

Mrs. De La Cruz stated that the City is responsible for the \$100 for the military banners. She mentioned that the families are responsible for the remaining \$50 if South El Monte Community Outreach is unable to sponsor them.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON RUDY LOPEZ

1. Update on the name plates project for the Monument Wall.

Mrs. De La Cruz stated the Maintenance Department had a new Supervisor, Mr. Figueroa and he is tasked with this project.

COMMISSIONER BLANCA FIGUEROA

1. Request to have seniors write letters to soldiers.

Mrs. De La Cruz stated that Senior Services Supervisor Andres Gonzalez is requesting that Commission Figueroa submit a proposal to him to approve the details of the project.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business coming before this body, Chairperson Del Rio (Yolanda) adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.