

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park
Health and Education Commission
held on November 15, 2011**

Chairperson Savage called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m. Present: Commissioners Victoria Herrera, Samuel Flores and Arlene Savage; Absent: None. Also in attendance were Senior Planner Albert Fontanez and Recording Secretary Genny Ochoa.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2011:

A motion was made by Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Herrera, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 27, 2011 as presented. The motion carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS, DISCUSSION ITEMS, OR GENERAL COMMENTS, PRESENTED BY COMMISSIONERS AND/OR COMMISSION LIAISON:

A. Discussion and/or action regarding goals and objectives for the Health and Education Commission in 2011:

Senior Planner Fontanez recommended that the Commissioners present their 2012 goals and objectives of the Health and Education Commission at the next regular Commission meeting in January 2012. Chairperson Savage so ordered that the Commission discuss the Commission's goals and objectives at the regular meeting of January 2012.

B. Discussion and/or action regarding the 4th Annual Senior Health Fair:

Senior Planner Fontanez reported that he had received only one (1) vendor application to participate in the fair. Commissioner Herrera stated that she had not received any responses from medical businesses/organizations to provide flu shots at the fair.

After a discussion, Commissioner Herrera motioned, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to postpone the Senior Health Fair to the spring of 2012. The motion carried.

Senior Planner Fontanez stated that he would notify interested parties of the Commission's decision to postpone the fair.

C. Discussion and/or action regarding Safe Routes to School Grant:

Senior Planner Fontanez gave a status update on the California Safe Routes to School Grant application. Mr. Fontanez stated that in partnership with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, staff was working with transportation planning firm Ryan Snyder and Associates in developing the required plan for the grant application. Mr. Fontanez stated that the plan would focus on pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure improvements surrounding Middleton Elementary School and Middleton Primary Center. Mr. Fontanez stated that staff anticipated the grant release in late December 2011/early January 2012.

Mr. Fontanez stated that the “International Walk to School Day” event held on October 5th would be incorporated in the grant application supporting the City’s commitment to promote walking and bicycling to school and making Huntington Park a walkable community.

SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY STAFF:

Senior Planner Fontanez reported that on November 21, 2011, the City Council would conduct the Second Reading of the ordinance regulating licensure of tobacco retailers. Mr. Fontanez stated that the ordinance would take effect 30 days after its adoption.

Senior Planner Fontanez announced that the next Commission meeting would be held on the fourth Tuesday in January, i.e., January 24, 2012.

SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY COMMISSIONERS:

None.

CLOSED SESSION:

Chairperson Savage declared the meeting resolved into closed session at 5:28 p.m.

Pursuant to California Code Section 54957,
PUBLIC APPOINTMENT
Title: Health and Education Commissioner

Following the closed session, the meeting reconvened at 6:25 p.m. Senior Planner Fontanez reported that the Health and Education Commission directed staff to present to the City Council at the next scheduled City Council meeting of December 5, 2011 its recommendation to appoint Mr. Victor Dominguez to the Health and Education Commission.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chairperson Savage adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m., to Tuesday, January 24, 2012.

Chairperson

Secretary