

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Huntington Park
Health and Education Commission
held September 27, 2011**

Chairperson Savage called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Present: Commissioners Victoria Herrera, Enrique Murillo, and Arlene Savage; Absent: Commissioner Samuel Flores. Also in attendance were Senior Planner Albert Fontanez and Recording Secretary Genny Ochoa.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JULY 26, 2011:

A motion was made by Commissioner Herrera, seconded by Commissioner Murillo, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held July 26, 2011 as revised (meeting arrival time of Commissioner Herrera noted on page 2, thereby rescinding the recorded unexcused absence during Roll Call). The motion carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

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

Senior Planner Fontanez stated that staff is working with the Los Angeles County Public Health Department to create a Safe Routes to School Plan to submit an application on the City's behalf for the upcoming California Safe Routes to School Grant.

(Commissioner Samuel Flores arrived and took his seat at 5:10 p.m.)

Mr. Fontanez stated if the City receives a grant, the grant would be used for pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure improvements surrounding Middleton Primary Center and Middleton Elementary School, as well as for visibility of street signage and in educating the community on pedestrian safety.

B. Discussion and/or action regarding International Walk to School Day.

Senior Planner Fontanez reported that October 5 is designated as "International Walk to School Day," and that staff would be participating in the Middleton Elementary School's Safe Routes to School Committee walk-to-school event supporting the efforts of the Committee and the County Health Department to promote walking and bicycling to school.

C. Discussion and/or action regarding National Health Education Week.

Senior Planner stated that October 17-23 is National Health Education Week and briefly spoke on the Los Angeles Unified School District's campaign of enhancing community health awareness.

D. Discussion and/or action regarding a city-sponsored Safety Fair.

Commissioner Herrera asked staff to assist in the coordination of a possible city-sponsored health fair and to report to the Commission at its next meeting.

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

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

No discussion was held.

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

After a brief discussion, it was concurred by the Commissioners and staff to postpone the Senior Health Fair to Friday, November 18, 2011, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY STAFF:

A. On-going commissioner recruitment:

Senior Planner Fontanez reported that staff would schedule a Closed Session interview for the next Commission meeting upon confirmation with the City Clerk of receipt of applicant applications for service.

SUBJECTS PRESENTED BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Flores announced his election as PTA President and Board Council of his daughter's school, Pacific elementary School.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chairperson Savage adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m. to Tuesday, November 15, 2011.

Chairperson

Secretary