

City of Huntington Park  
Youth Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, February 6, 2017  
4:00pm  
Salt Lake Park, Lounge  
3401 E. Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, CA 90255

The regular meeting of the Youth Commission of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 4:22 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2017 in the Lounge at Salt Lake Park, 3401 E. Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Youth Commissioner Palma.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Kevin Cervantes, Commissioner Nelly Perez, Commissioner Joel Palma, and Commissioner Kaitlyn Zesati. Other City Officials and employees: Josette Espinosa, Director of Parks and Recreation and Lizet Nunez, Recreation Supervisor.

ABSENT: Angel De Santiago

**PUBLIC APPERANCE**- None

**STAFF RESPONSES**- None

**MINUTES**

Approval of minutes of Youth Commission meeting from January 23, 2017. Item was motioned by Chair Cervantes and second by Commissioner Perez. Minutes were approved.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**1. Discussion and Consider Updating the Work Plan for 2016/2017**

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

1. The Youth Commission continued their discussion on the Work Plan for 2017 and asked the work plan remain on the agenda for next month.

**Motion:** Commissioner Perez motioned to keep the item on the next month's agenda.

Motion was seconded by Chair Cervantes

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Palma, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): Commissioner De Santiago

**2. Discussion of Youth Commission partnering up with other agency to provide a College Tour to the public**

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

1. College Tour

Commissioners discussed the importance of creating opportunities for youth to visit universities during spring and or summer break. Director Espinosa expressed the value of working with local agencies to collaborate marketing the college tour. Additionally, Director Espinosa offered a bus to transport youth once registered at Salt Lake Park. Registration would facilitate the process of promoting the service and fill a bus prior to contracting the service.

**Motion:** Chair Cervantes motioned the item be added to next month's agenda meanwhile more research was done by each commissioner.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Pantoja.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Palma, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): Commissioner De Santiago

**3. Discussion of Youth Commission hosting a game and gift booth for 4th of July**

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

1. Game booth

Parks and Recreation Supervisor, Lizet Nunez provided the Commission information on the event and invited the Youth Commission to partake and or volunteer in the event by hosting a Youth Commission game booth. Commissioners, indicated they would participate but would like the item postponed on the agenda until the meeting on June 5, 2017 to have time to research games.

**Motion:** Chair Cervantes motioned to postpone the item until the meeting scheduled for June 5, 2017.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Palma.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Palma, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): Commissioner De Santiago

#### **4. Discussion and Action for Youth Commission Newsletter**

##### DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

###### 1. Newsletter

Chair Cervantes would like to encourage local youth to attend the youth commission meetings and reach a larger audience. As part of his outreach, he inquired about the writing a message in the Community Newsletter which is delivered to all Huntington Park addresses. Parks and Recreation Supervisor, Lizet Nunez provided the Commission information the department newsletter and Community Newsletter. Director Espinosa encouraged commissioners to research topics and items they would like to write about in the newsletters. Furthermore, commissioners were asked to draft a list of items to bring for discussion for the next meeting. Chair Cervantes indicated, the first item would resemble a "Welcome to" message introducing themselves to readers.

**Motion:** Chair Cervantes motioned to keep this item on the agenda for next month's agenda.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ramos

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Cervantes, Commissioner Ramos, Commissioner Perez, Commissioner Palma, and Commissioner Zesati

NOES: Commissioner(s): None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s): Commissioner De Santiago

**PRESENTATIONS-** None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS-** None

**DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION-** None

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-** None

**COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioners expressed their excitement of moving forward with the upcoming year and having more youth joining the commission. They looked forward to a great year ahead.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:50 p.m. Chair Cervantes adjourned the City of Huntington Park Youth Commission Meeting on Monday, March 6, 2017.