

City of Huntington Park  
Health and Education Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 25, 2022

6:00 pm

Salt Lake Park, Zoom Meeting

3401 E Florence Ave, Huntington Park, CA 90255

The meeting of the Health and Education Commission of the City of Huntington Park, California was called to order at 6:01 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 via Zoom, 3401 E Florence Avenue, Huntington Park, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Health and Education Chair Ebony Batiste.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Ebony Batiste, Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez, and Commissioner Iliana Baltazar.  
Other City Officials and employees: Parks and Recreation Director Cynthia Norzagaray, Recreation Manager Celica Quinones, Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo, and Recreation Coordinator Adilene Santos

**PUBLIC APPERANCE** – None

**STAFF RESPONSES** - None

**MINUTES**

Approval of regular meeting minutes of Health and Education Commission for August 30, 2022

**Motion:** Commissioner Iliana Baltazar motioned to approve the minutes.

**Motion Seconded** by Chair Ebony Batiste

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Chair Ebony Batiste, Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez, and Commissioner Iliana Baltazar.

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

**Presentations:** None

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **1. Discussion and/ or Action of Autism awareness celebration for April 2023**

Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez informed the commissioners that she will be canceling the Autism Awareness celebration for the year of 2022 due to personal reasons. Director Cynthia Norzagaray asks for clarification of the Autism Awareness vision. Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez informs everyone that the vision remains the same as to the location, set up, date and time. Director Cynthia Norzagaray stated that they will review the calendar to see what Saturdays are available for April and June. Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez asked about confirming the events of the Autism Awareness, and the LGBTQ+ in both the April and June months. Director Cynthia Norzagaray stated that she will review the calendar. Cynthia Norzagaray assured Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez, that she should receive an answer by the next upcoming commissions meeting.

### **2. Discussion and/ or action of the LGBTQ + Event**

As stated above, the event has been postponed for 2023. The date to the event will be determined in the next meeting. Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez informed everyone that she would like for this event to take place in the month of June.

### **3. Discussion and/ or action on City event Participation and or contribution by Commissioners**

- a. Halloween- Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo informed the commissioners about the upcoming Halloween Event and the Trick or Treat stations. He informed the commissioners about the different trick or treat themes and invited them to volunteer for the event to pass out candy or contributions for candy.
- b. Dia De Los Muertos - Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo informed the commissioners about the Dia De Los Muertos Event. He mentioned some of the amenities that will be there such as the car club, the movie, a Band, and arts in crafts with kids. Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo invited the commissioners to volunteer to do some arts and crafts with the kids for this event.

Chair Ebony Batiste asked if candy will be provided for the trunk or treat stations. Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo informed her that Candy will be provided to the city's 6 trick or treat stations. Commissioner Iliana Baltazar asked about parking, and Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo assured her that there is parking provided for both volunteers and staff. Chair Ebony Batiste asked if there was a haunted house this year. Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo confirmed the haunted house and was able to elaborate by stating the other amenities such as a junior inflatable corn maze, a trackless train ride, a pumpkin patch, haunted maze, and photo stations. Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo asked for an answer to his volunteer request to be notified as soon as possible but the latest by Thursday 2:00pm.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo provided the commission the following departmental**

## **reports:**

1. Tutoring program Continued
  - a. October 3 – December 15
  - b. Kids must be registered
2. Halloween Event at Keller Park
  - a. October 31, 2022 from 4pm-8pm
3. Dia De Los Muertos
  - a. November 2, 2022 @ Salt Lake Park
  - b. Movie will start at dusk anticipating at 6:00pm
4. California Statewide Elections
  - a. November 5- November 7, 2022
5. Veterans Day Celebration
  - a. November 10, 2022 5:30pm @ Robert F. Keller Park
  - b. RSVP to Celica and Guillermo
6. City Council Turkey Giveaway
  - a. November 12, 2022 7:00am @ City Hall
  - b. Recreation Supervisor Guillermo invited Commissioners to volunteer for this event.
7. Parks Director Cynthia Norzagaray Announces that this will be Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Portillo last commissions meeting.

## **COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Ebony Batiste: Shared that she has been appointed by the Governor Gavin Newsome as the newest committee member of the Commissions for Teacher Credentialing.

Vice Chair Gloria Rodriguez: Apologized for the cancelation for the events. She also expressed her gratefulness to everyone and reminded everyone to support each other during these times.

Commissioner Iliana Baltazar: Questioned the 2 vacancies for the health and education commission. Director Cynthia assured her that she brought up the vacancies up to council. Commissioner Iliana Baltazar also shared that she has become assistant principal at Diego Rivera Performing Arts.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:21 p.m. Chair Ebony Batiste adjourned the City of Huntington Park Health and Education Commission Meeting on Tuesday, October 25, 2022.