

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA MIRADA SENIOR COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 23, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER The meeting of the La Mirada Senior Council was called to order at 10 a.m. by Chairperson Peggy Roman at the La Mirada Activity Center, Community Room 1, 13810 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California 90638.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Peggy Roman.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Peggy Roman
Vice Chairperson Martha Viayra
Member Diane Albert
Member Larry McCollum
Member Tom Rosholt
Member Aracely Ruiz
Member Larry Torres

Absent: Member Eugena Thomas

Staff: Lisa Montoya, Community Services Supervisor
Veronica Luna, Community Services Coordinator
Micaela Diores, Community Services Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Marlene Olsen reported on activities held at Lake Park La Mirada and the La Mirada Vistas.

Loretta Noble, a resident of the La Mirada Landmark Adult Community, said she was in attendance to observe the meeting.

Judy Lusklett, a resident of Lake Park La Mirada, said she was in attendance to observe the meeting. She expressed interest in joining the Senior Council and said she submitted an advisory body application.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2021

Member Rosholt moved and Vice Chairman Viayra seconded to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2021 Senior Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chairperson Roman, Vice Chairperson Viayra, Members Albert, McCollum, Rosholt, Ruiz, Torres
NOES: None
ABSENT: Member Thomas
ABSTAIN: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. SENIOR COMMUNITY EVENTS UPDATE

Vice Chairperson Viayra reported on activities held at Breezewood Village.

Chairperson Roman said La Mirada Landmark cancelled its special events for February.

Member McCollum reported resident activities were not being offered at Vista Alicante.

Member Ruiz said she recently attended two shows at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts.

Member Rosholt said a potential zoning ordinance amendment to allow for a proposed car wash project at 13525 Beach Boulevard was discussed by the La Mirada City Council on February 8. He provided an update on the La Mirada Gadabouts, the Veterans Discussion Group, and the Veterans Coordinating Council.

Member Torres provided an overview of the Veterans Coordinating Council. He said Valentine's Day cards were delivered to local veterans by Congresswoman Linda Sanchez's office.

Member Albert reported on the La Mirada First Church of the Nazarene's construction project.

NEW BUSINESS

3. FARMERS MARKET UPDATE

Community Services Supervisor Lisa Montoya introduced Community Services Coordinator Veronica Luna.

Community Services Coordinator Luna reported on the La Mirada Farmers Market. She said the farmers market would take place every Saturday beginning April 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. within the Civic Center campus. Ms. Luna said the farmers market would operate as a Night Market during the City's summer concert series.

Community Services Supervisor Montoya said transportation services would be available through La Mirada Transit.

4. 2022 “LOVE A TREE” POSTER CONTEST

Community Services Supervisor Montoya reported on the 2022 “Love a Tree” poster contest. She thanked the Senior Council for its participation in the judging process. Mrs. Montoya said first place winners for each grade category would be recognized during the La Mirada City Council meeting on April 26.

5. 2022 OLDER AMERICANS RECOGNITION

Community Services Supervisor Montoya reported on the 2022 Older Americans Recognition Day (OARD) awards program hosted by the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults. She said the OARD awards program is in conjunction with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors’ declaration of May as Older American Recognition Month. She recommended the Senior Council discuss nominations for this year’s honoree for the City of La Mirada.

Vice Chairperson Viayra moved and Member Ruiz seconded the nomination of Larry Torres for the Older Americans Recognition Day Awards to the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chairperson Roman, Vice Chairperson Viayra, Members Albert, McCollum, Rosholt, Ruiz, Torres
NOES: None
ABSENT: Member Thomas
ABSTAIN: None

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT

Chairperson Roman said the annual park review and the Splash! La Mirada Regional Aquatics Center’s annual report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 were discussed during the Community Services Commission meeting on February 2.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Member Torres said pickleball has gained popularity in the community. He said pickleball courts are available at Neff Park and the Gymnasium on select days.

Member Rosholt inquired about the Love La Mirada Day of Service and the Spring Beautification program.

Community Services Supervisor Montoya responded and said an update would be provided at the next meeting.

Chairperson Roman inquired if the senior congregate meal program would return to the Activity Center. She said she was eager for the Hawaiian Luau, All That Dance, Fall Festival, and the monthly birthday celebrations to resume at the Activity Center.

Community Services Supervisor Montoya responded and said the Café on the Green program was offered by the Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority (SASSFA). She said SASSFA has not indicated when the congregate meal program would return to the Activity Center. Mrs. Montoya said staff would discuss the return of special events during the spring and summer seasons.

Member Ruiz reported on her participation in the Chair Exercise class.


STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Services Supervisor Montoya provided an update on the Easter Egg Hunt on April 16 and the Mother Daughter Luncheon on May 7. Mrs. Montoya said several classes provided by Cerritos College and Rio Hondo College have resumed at the Activity Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Submitted:



Micaela Dioces
Community Services Secretary

Attest:



Peggy Roman
Chairperson