MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA MIRADA SENIOR COUNCIL APRIL 27, 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 Tom Rosholt Member Eugena Thomas Member Larry Torres

Absent: Member Larry McCollum

Member Aracely Ruiz

Staff: Lisa Montoya, Community Services Supervisor

Micaela Diores, Community Services Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Lori Chimberoff reported on her interview with the Senior Council on April 4.

Community Services Supervisor Montoya said staff is recommending the City Council appoint Ms. Chimberoff to the Senior Council during its meeting on May 24.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 23, 2022

Chairperson Roman moved and Member Torres seconded to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2022 Senior Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chairperson Roman, Vice Chairperson Viayra, Members Albert,

Rosholt, Torres

NOES: None

ABSENT: Members McCollum, Ruiz

ABSTAIN: Member Albert

DISCUSSION ITEM

2. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MEMORIAL DAY EVENT

Member Torres reported on the Memorial Day Service to be held on May 30 at 10 a.m. at Olive Lawn Memorial Park. He said the event is being coordinated by the La Mirada Veterans Coordinating Council, in partnership with the City of La Mirada, Olive Lawn Memorial Park, and Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 9148. Mr. Torres said the event will include the presentation of colors, a patriotic program, and guest speaker, Ed Choi. He reported event parking may be limited and recommended the use of the City's transit services. Member Torres requested Senior Council's assistance in promoting the event at their respective housing communities.

Member Rosholt commended the Peebler family for hosting the Memorial Day Service in previous years and thanked the Veterans Coordinating Council for expanding the event. He commented seating has been limited in the past and inquired if additional seating would be provided.

Member Torres responded and said additional seating for the event would be considered.

Community Services Supervisor Lisa Montoya said the Veterans Coordinating Council, in partnership with the VFW Post 9148 and the City of La Mirada, would help organize the Memorial Day Service, the Veterans Day Service, and the City's Salute to Veterans event.

Member Rosholt explained the difference between celebrations of Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. SENIOR COMMUNITY EVENTS UPDATE

Vice Chairperson Viayra reported on activities held at Breezewood Village. She said the monthly birthday celebrations would resume next month.

Member Thomas reported resident activities were not being offered at Somerset Glen.

Chairperson Roman reported on activities held at La Mirada Landmark.

Member Rosholt commended the Sound of Music performance at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts. He reported on the La Mirada Gadabouts, the Veterans

Discussion Group, the Spring Beautification program, the La Mirada Farmer's Market, and the Easter Egg Hunt event.

Member Torres reported on the Easter Egg Hunt, the Veterans Discussion Group, the La Mirada Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, and the La Mirada Farmer's Market. Member Torres said the Michigan Avenue branch of the Whittier Post Office was dedicated in honor of the late Vietnam veteran, Jose Ramos, on April 20. He said Mr. Ramos was influential in Congresswoman Linda Sanchez's work on the "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day" resolution in 2003. The resolution was passed in 2007. Member Torres reported on Suburban Water Systems' Third-Party Notification Program. He recommended Suburban Water Systems be contacted to provide a water conservation workshop at the Activity Center.

NEW BUSINESS

4. ALL THAT DANCE

Community Services Supervisor Montoya said Parks and Recreation Month would be celebrated in July. She said a special All That Dance would be held at the La Mirada Activity Center on July 22 from 2 to 5 p.m. She said the free event would include an ice cream social, light refreshments, and entertainment. Mrs. Montoya said additional details and the event flyer would be available in the near future.

Member Rosholt inquired if future dances would also be held from 2 to 5 p.m.

Community Services Supervisor Montoya responded and said future dances would be held in the afternoons based on feedback received from senior participants. She said the earlier start time was suitable for many seniors and would allow for participants to use the City's transit services. Mrs. Montoya encouraged Members to make recommendations regarding the selection of entertainment and other components of future dances.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT

Chairperson Roman reported the La Mirada Farmer's Market, the Easter Egg Hunt event, and the annual park review were discussed during the Community Services Commission meeting on April 6.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Roman reported on the Traffic Control Box Art Contest. She said the winning artwork were converted to a vinyl wrap and placed on several traffic control boxes throughout the City.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Services Supervisor Montoya reported the congregate meal program provided by the Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority (SASSFA), Café on the Green, may return to the La Mirada Activity Center in the near future. She said the reopening date has not yet been set by SASSFA. Mrs. Montoya reported Member Torres would accept a proclamation recognizing May as Older Americans Month during the City Council meeting on May 10. She reported on senior computer classes offered by Rio Hondo College and the Senior Tech Open Lab offered by senior volunteers at the La Mirada Activity Center. Mrs. Montoya reported on the Mother Daughter Luncheon on May 7 and thanked several Members for volunteering to assist with the event. She reported the La Mirada Meals on Wheels organization and longtime resident Rose Hamilton would both receive the Myllie Taylor Community Services Award during the La Mirada Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on April 29. Mrs. Montoya stated residents Lori Chimberoff and Mary Hall would be appointed to the Senior Council during the La Mirada City Council on May 24.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

Submitted:

Attest:

Micaela Diores

Community Services Secretary

Peggy Romar Chairperson