

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA MIRADA SENIOR COUNCIL
OCTOBER 26, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the La Mirada Senior Council was called to order at 10 a.m. by Chairperson Martha Viayra 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 Martha Viayra

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Alternate Member Lori Chimberoff

Staff: Lisa Montoya, Community Services Supervisor
Micaela Diores, Community Services Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Marlene Olsen reported on activities at the La Mirada Vistas. She said the Historical Preservation Advisory Council would present the City's historical timeline during the Halloweenfest event on October 31 at Neff Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

Vice Chairperson Torres moved and Member Hall seconded to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022 Senior Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. SENIOR COMMUNITY EVENTS UPDATE

Chairperson Viayra reported on activities at Breezewood Village, including a Thanksgiving luncheon. She said the La Mirada Veterans Coordinating Council would present medallions to veterans residing at Breezewood Village on November 8.

Member Roman reported on activities at La Mirada Landmark.

Member Hall reported on activities at Lake Park La Mirada, including a Thanksgiving Luncheon and a Veterans Appreciation Day. She said she attended a recent Veterans Discussion Group meeting and met Senator Bob Archuleta.

Member Thomas reported on activities at Somerset Glen, including a Thanksgiving potluck and a monthly birthday celebration.

Member McCollum reported minimal activities were being offered at Vista Alicante. He said flyers advertising the City's events are provided to management but are not posted or distributed to residents.

Member Rosholt provided a reminder regarding daylight savings time. He provided positive feedback regarding the Community Health Information and Safety Fair, and the Fall Festival.

Vice Chairperson Torres thanked Members for their assistance with the La Mirada Veterans Coordinating Council's new program to honor local veterans.

NEW BUSINESS

3. 2022 SALUTETO VETERANS EVENT AND VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Community Services Supervisor Lisa Montoya reported on the Salute to Veterans event on November 7 at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts and the Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11 in the Civic Center Plaza. She said the newly formed La Mirada Veterans Coordinating Council played a key role in recruiting event participants and developing new components for both events. She said La Mirada Transit would offer its services during the Veterans Day Ceremony from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Members commended Vice Chairperson Torres and the La Mirada Veterans Coordinating Council for their efforts in honoring veterans in the community.

Vice Chairperson Torres discussed the importance of honoring veterans who are unable to attend the City's in-person events by presenting the medallions at their respective residences. He said over 60 medallions would be presented by the La Mirada Veterans Coordinating Council this year.

Member Rosholt commented on the Salute to Veterans flyer which included the United States Space Force. He reported on the flag run from the UFC Gym to the Civic Center Plaza as part of the Veterans Day Ceremony.

4. 2022 HOLIDAY TOY AND FOOD DRIVE

Community Services Supervisor Montoya reported on the 2022 Holiday Toy and Food Drive beginning November 1 through December 9. She said the new unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items collected would be distributed to several local partner organizations. She said items would also be accepted during the Chili Holiday Celebration on December 3 at Splash! La Mirada Regional Aquatics Center.

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT

Chairperson Viayra said she attended the Community Services Commission meeting on October 5. She said Commissioners discussed the Volunteer Appreciation Day, the La Mirada Farmers Market, and Halloweenfest.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice Chairperson Torres reported the Veterans Discussion Group's meeting on December 1 would be hosted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9148. He provided positive feedback regarding the Fall Festival and recommended a cornhole game be incorporated in next year's event.

Chairperson Viarya provided positive feedback regarding the Fall Festival. She said these senior events held at the Activity Center provide opportunities for socialization.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Services Supervisor Montoya reported that the Activity Center and Neff Barn are designated vote centers for California's 2022 General Election.

Community Services Secretary Micaela Diores said a holiday themed craft fair benefiting the Relay for Life of La Mirada-Whittier would be held at the La Mirada Activity Center on Saturday, November 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.


Community Services Supervisor Montoya said the next regular Senior Council meeting was scheduled for November 23. Members expressed support for a special meeting on November 16.

Mrs. Montoya said a special meeting of the Senior Council would be held on November 16.

ADJOURNMENT

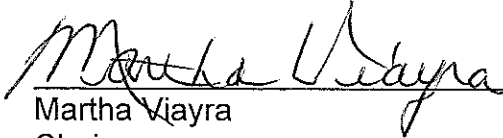
The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Submitted:



Micaela Diores
Community Services Secretary

Attest:



Martha Vajra
Chairperson