

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LA MIRADA YOUTH COUNCIL  
JUNE 29, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**                      The regular meeting of the La Mirada Youth Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice Chairman Sologuren at the La Mirada Resource Center, 13710 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California 90638.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**          The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

<b>ROLL CALL</b>	Present:	Michael Caplan – Alternate Karis Chun – Member-At-Large Fabian Lee – Member-At-Large Noemi Muñoz – Alternate David Ramirez – Member Karim Sologuren – Vice Chairman
	Tardy:	Adriana Perez – Member Michael Salazar – Member-At-Large
	Staff:	Joshua A. Gire, Community Services Coordinator Jorge Orozco, Administrative Intern

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Community Services Coordinator Gire introduced Senior Administrative Analyst Andrew Vialpando and Deputy City Manager Anne Haraksin.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2016**

Vice Chairman Sologuren moved and Member Lee seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 27, 2016.

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Members Caplan, Chun, Lee, Ramirez, Vice Chairman Sologuren</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	<b>Members Perez, Salazar</b>

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2. LA MIRADA POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM**

Senior Administrative Analyst Vialpando presented a report on the La Mirada Positive Alternatives Program. Mr. Vialpando requested input from the Youth Council on how to better promote awareness on the harms of drugs, alcohol, and bullying.

Members Perez and Salazar arrived.

Member Caplan suggested the Positive Alternatives program focus on alcohol, drugs, and bullying, specifically cyber bullying. Mr. Caplan would also like to see a reoccurring group forum where students can voice their concerns with these issues.

Members Perez and Chun agreed that video presentations are no longer relatable. They suggested having real-life victims of drugs, alcohol, and bullying give a presentation at their school.

Alternate Muñoz discussed the possibility of educating and training the teachers and staff on what to look for in students who suffer from drug and alcohol abuse or bullying.

Member Ramirez suggested the program focus on the perception of these substances as well as bringing in "hot topics" that create discussion among students.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **3. FATHER AND SON CAMPOUT**

Administrative Intern Orozco presented a report on the Father and Son Campout. Mr. Orozco also reported that the City has reached out to Walmart and Walgreens for food donations.

Members discussed donations for the event. Member Caplan volunteered to seek donations from *Bonjour Bagel* in La Mirada.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **4. SPRING BEAUTIFICATION**

Administrative Intern Orozco presented a report on the Spring Beautification event that took place on Monday, June 13, at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts.

### **5. INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION**

Administrative Intern Orozco presented a report on the Independence Celebration event that took place on Sunday, July 3, at La Mirada Regional Park. Mr. Orozco asked members to attend and pass out Father & Son Campout flyers.

## **6. CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS**

Administrative Intern Orozco presented a report on the Concerts Under the Stars series bring held Thursday, July 14, through Thursday, August 25, at La Mirada Regional Park.

Members asked for the Father & Son Campout flyer be placed at the City's information booth.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None

### **YOUTH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Member Salazar announced that he will be visiting several colleges in the upcoming weeks.

Member Perez discussed her busy summer schedule.

Member Caplan announced that he will be taking a trip to Sacramento this summer.

Alternate Muñoz announced that she will be coaching a softball camp this summer.

Member Lee said that he will be starting on his church's first ever volleyball team.

### **STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

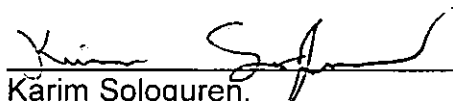
### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted:

  
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Jorge Orozco,  
Administrative Intern

Attest:

  
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Karim Sologuren,  
Vice Chairman