

MINUTES

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

PRELIMINARY: These Minutes are to be considered for approval on June 8, 2022.

Community Services Chair Kempker called the Regular Meeting of the Community Services Commission to order at 6:30 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Garcia, Kempker, Laveaga, Rojas, Schmidt

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: Kelly Fujio, Director of Community Services and Kimberly Albarian, Community Services Manager

INVOCATION: Chair Kempker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Laveaga

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Commission recognized outgoing Commissioner Carrie Surich who is was appointed to the Planning Commission.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR:

OATH OF OFFICE - Commissioner Schmidt was reinstated to the Community Services Commission.

1. Community Services Commission Meeting Minutes for April 2022
2. City of La Habra 2021 Community Survey
3. Park Rental Policy – Draft
4. Special Events Calendar 2022

Commissioner Schmidt asked to remove item #3. Commissioner Laveaga asked to remove item #2.

MOVED BY Chair Kempker, seconded by Vice Chair Garcia and CARRIED 5-0, TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES APRIL 13, 2022. Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Kempker, Laveaga, Rojas, Schmidt
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Commission Discussion on Item #3 – Park Rental Policy

- ❖ Commissioner Schmidt would like additional trashcans available for park rentals.
- ❖ Kelly Fujio, Director of Community Services said this summer will be a pilot program before fees are implemented next year. This is a first draft for consideration and to help with multiple groups wanting to use the same park. The policy will be enforced for use by reservation only.
- ❖ Vice Chair Garcia said the rental rates are all the same and that parks have different amenities. City staff will review.
- ❖ Commissioners may send written comments and suggestions to City staff.
- ❖ This item will be under Consideration Items on the next agenda.

MOVED BY Commissioner Rojas, seconded by Commissioner Laveaga and CARRIED 5-0, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE DRAFT OF THE PARK RENTAL POLICY. Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Kempker, Laveaga, Rojas, Schmidt
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Commission Discussion on Item #2 – 2021 Community Survey

- ❖ Commissioner Laveaga – Item #12 City website has good information. Need to move more people to the site instead of only using social media.
- ❖ Commissioner Rojas suggested Commissioners act as ambassadors and answer online comments with correct and updated information. He gave an example of parking issues.
- ❖ City staff is unable to comment on social media but appreciates the Commission providing correct information.

MOVED BY Chair Kempker, seconded by Vice Chair Garcia and CARRIED 5-0, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE COMMUNITY SURVEY. Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Kempker, Laveaga, Rojas, Schmidt
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

III. CONSIDERATION ITEMS

1. That the Community Services Commission continue discussing ideas and strategies to engage the community in the “Love My City” concept.

Commissioner Rojas gave an update.

- ❖ He spoke with the author/facilitator Peter Kageyama.
- ❖ The workshop offered identifies key community assets including the emotionally engaged citizens that shape the city and develops strategies and tactics to engage these local development resources. The workshop focuses on locally based solutions that do not require significant resources and can be quickly implemented.
- ❖ Workshop elements include:
 - Overview of Lovable Cities
 - Wall of Love
 - Messages and marks – designing the City’s t-shirt
 - Love Notes – small things that have outsized impacts on the way people feel about their place.
 - Identify local rituals and traditions
 - Brainstorming \$500-dollar project
 - Voting and ranking of the best ideas for next steps
- ❖ Who should attend?
 - Elected Officials
 - Planning and City Manager
 - Municipal Employees and Department Leaders
 - Arts and Culture Leaders
 - Entrepreneurs and Business Leaders
 - Not for Profit Leaders
 - Young Leaders
 - Young Professionals
 - Student Leaders
 - Neighborhood Associations
 - Concern Citizens
- ❖ Attendance (up to 150)
- ❖ Venue (any location in the City for working tables for groups of 6 – 8)
- ❖ Consultant Fee: \$2,000 Pre-Workshop Consultation

- ❖ For “Love of La Habra” Community Workshop Session – 4 hour facilitated meeting \$5,000 Fee
- ❖ Travel from Clearwater, FL to Orange County, CA and return.

Vice Chair Garcia suggested that this concept be incorporated into the City’s Centennial Celebration in 2025.

Kelly Fujio, Director of Community Services cautioned the Commission to make sure this project stays in its purview. A recommendation is to consult with the City Manager before approaching the City Council and Planning Commission.

Commission Schmidt visited the Love My Cities website. She supports a consultant helping to facilitate this process.

MOVED BY Chair Rojas, seconded by Chair Kempker and CARRIED 5-0, TO SHARE THE FOR THE LOVE OF CITIES CONCEPT AND HIRING A CONSULTANT TO HELP FACILITATE A WORKSHOP FOR FURTHER REVIEW WITH THE CITY MANAGER. CITY STAFF WILL DRAFT A LETTER TO THE CITY MANAGER. Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Kempker, Laveaga, Rojas, Schmidt
 NOES: NONE
 ABSENT: NONE
 ABSTAIN: NONE

STAFF COMMENTS

Kelly Fujio, Director of Community Services announced that the new Community Outreach Liaison has been hired.

- Paul Mahoney, Community Outreach Liaison. Email: HomelessOutreach@lahabraca.gov and Hotline: (562) 383-4223.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Vice Chair Garcia gave an update on the Youth Committee. They had their last meeting for the school year. Currently recruiting for the 2022 – 2023 school year. May is mental health awareness month. Green Bench OC and St. Jude Medical Group are partnering to paint benches green to bring awareness at Terraza park on Friday, May 20. The HBIC Poker Tournament will take place Friday, May 20th starting at 5 p.m. at the La Habra Community Center and the La Habra Host Lions Club are providing support for this event.

Commissioner Rojas gave an update on the La Habra Outdoors Program. The registration packet is available and is in English and Spanish. He presented the program to the La Habra Host Lions Club and Rotary Club and they have committed to a financial donation. He is working with Aspi Packing Outfitters for a back-pack sponsorship and

Latina Outdoors for a t-shirt sponsorship for the beach day trip. The La Habra Collaborative will also provide toiletries and food for this program.

Commissioner Schmidt attended the grand opening at Pearl Vision.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. to Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, 100 East La Habra Boulevard.

MOVED BY Chair Kempker, seconded by Commissioner Laveaga and CARRIED 5-0, TO AJOURN THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING. Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Commissioners Kempker, Laveaga, Rojas, Schmidt
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Albarian,
Recording Secretary

APPROVAL: This is to certify that these Minutes were approved by the La Habra City Council on _____.

Rhonda J. Barone, CMC
Assistant City Clerk