

**IRWINDALE COUNCIL CHAMBER  
5050 N. IRWINDALE AVENUE  
IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA 91706**

**FEBRUARY 27, 2023  
MONDAY  
9:00 A.M.**

The Irwindale **SENIOR CITIZEN COMMISSION** met in regular session at the above time and place.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Commissioners Carol Acosta, Christina Fraijo,  
Patricia Gonzales; Chair Maggie Guzman

Absent: Vice Chair Iris Rodriguez

Also present: Elizabeth Rodriguez, Public Works Services Director;  
Eloise Beltran, Senior Center Manager; Jeff Wagner, IT Manager; and  
Armando Hegdahl, Management Analyst

**SPONTANEOUS  
COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no speakers.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**MOTION**

A motion was made by Chair Guzman, seconded by Commissioner Acosta, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was unanimously approved; Vice Chair Rodriguez absent.

**ITEM NO. 1A  
MINUTES**

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The minutes of the special meeting held January 23, 2023, were approved.

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM NO. 2A  
ASSEMBLY BILL 2449  
BROWN ACT  
TELECONFERENCING  
REQUIREMENTS**

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REQUIREMENTS**

**DIRECTOR RODRIGUEZ**

Director Rodriguez presented the report.

**COMMISSION  
CONSENSUS**

Commission consensus was reached to receive and file the report.

**ITEM NO. 2B  
CANCELLATION POLICY  
ON FIELD TRIPS**

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**DIRECTOR RODRIGUEZ**

Director Rodriguez presented the report.

**COMMISSIONER  
GONZALES**

Commissioner Gonzales suggested that individuals that do not cancel their registrations for trips by a Wednesday evening deadline should not

be permitted to attend the next trip they sign up for. She stated that each time a senior fails to cancel their registration, their ticket is wasted and the city loses the amount it spent on it.

CHAIR GUZMAN

Chair Guzman stated that the flyers and the calendar should include verbiage about this new process.

COMMISSIONER  
FRAIJO

Responding to a question by Commissioner Fraijo, Director Rodriguez suggested that seniors that fall ill and are unable to attend the trips they registered for should notify staff as soon as possible, preferably before the cancellation deadline.

CHAIR GUZMAN

In response to a question by Chair Guzman, Manager Beltran advised that any individual may register another senior member of household for Senior Center trips.

MOTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Chair Guzman, to recommend that the City Council approve Senior Center Field Trip Guidelines to include a deadline for cancellations for all senior trips of 6:00 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to the trip date in order to receive a refund of the fees paid for registration. Any participant who cancels after the deadline would be subject to the following: 1) first time cancelling after the deadline, the participant will not be able to sign up for the next trip until the standby registration date, and 2) second time cancelling after the deadline, the participant will not be able to sign up for a trip. The motion was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONER  
ACOSTA

Commissioner Acosta asked how seniors would be notified of the change, to which Director Rodriguez advised that staff will meet with Administration to determine whether a full policy would need to be developed or if this change could just be advertised in program flyers and at the Senior Center information boards.

COMMISSIONER  
GONZALES

Commissioner Gonzales suggested that the information be posted at the windows where seniors sign up for trips.

DIRECTOR RODRIGUEZ

Director Rodriguez advised that staff will inform seniors of the changes the next time they arrive to sign up for trips.

**SENIOR CENTER  
MANAGER UPDATE**

Senior Center Manager Beltran provided the following update:

- 1) Mt. Sac classes started last week and will continue through the second week of June.
- 2) The Spring Boutique fundraiser has been scheduled for March 8.
- 3) The March 11 trip to the Santa Anita Racetrack is sold out.
- 4) A St. Patrick's Day Dance has been scheduled for March 17.
- 5) Applications are being accepted for the position left vacant by Nancy Rosales. The deadline to apply is March 8.

**PUBLIC SERVICES**  
**DIRECTOR UPDATE**

Director Rodriguez provided the following update:

- 1) The City of Irwindale and the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive in front of City Hall today.
- 2) The Community Development Department will host an environmental scoping meeting for the Irwindale Gateway Specific Plan on Live Oak on March 2 at the Senior Center.
- 3) On February 23, staff held a community meeting to discuss Prop. 218. Staff is looking into concerns and requests expressed at the meeting. Director Rodriguez also briefly responded to several questions posed by the Commissioners regarding Prop. 218.

**COMMISSIONER ITEMS**  
**AND REQUESTS**

CHAIR GUZMAN

In response to a concern by Chair Guzman, Director Rodriguez suggested that patrons contact Senior Center staff if they notice others entering or exiting the Senior Center from areas where they should not be.

COMMISSIONER  
GONZALES

Commissioner Gonzales stated that she enjoyed the community meeting to discuss Prop. 218.

CHAIR GUZMAN

Chair Guzman thanked staff for quickly responding to an incident where a patron was in distress.

COMMISSIONER  
ACOSTA

Commissioner Acosta thanked staff for the delicious food served during the recent Birthday Brunch.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

ATTEST:



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Armando Hegdahl  
Management Analyst

Approved as presented at the meeting held March 27, 2023.