

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

**OCTOBER 24, 2022
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, Patricia Gonzales,
Iris Rodriguez; Vice Chair Maggie Guzman; Chair Virginia Diaz

Also present: Elizabeth Rodriguez, Public 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 Diaz, seconded by Vice Chair Guzman, to
approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was unanimously approved.

**ITEM NO. 1A
MINUTES**

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The minutes of the regular meeting held September 26, 2022, were
approved.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

**SENIOR CENTER
MANAGER UPDATE**

Manager Beltran provided the following update:

- A) A flu-shot clinic provided by CVS Pharmacy is being offered today. The vaccinations are free with valid insurance cards, otherwise they cost \$25.
- B) A Birthday Brunch has been scheduled for this Friday.
- C) A Pumpkin Decorating Contest will be held this Friday.
- D) The sold-out Halloween Dance has been scheduled for October 31.
- E) The Thanksgiving Dinner Dance has also sold out, though interested individuals could be placed on a waiting list.
- F) A "Dia de los Muertos" crafts event has been scheduled for November 1.
- G) A Holiday Boutique will be enjoyed on November 2.
- H) Sign-ups for the Christmas Dinner Dance will begin on November 7.
- I) The November Birthday Brunch has been scheduled for November 10.
- J) The Senior Center will be closed on November 11 due to the Veterans Day Holiday.
- K) A trip to the Natural History Museum has been scheduled for November 5.

PUBLIC SERVICES
DIRECTOR UPDATE

Director Rodriguez provided the following update:

- 1) The Annual Employee Holiday Luncheon has been scheduled for December 1 at the CA Country Club in Whittier.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS
AND REQUESTS

COMMISSIONER
GONZALES

Commissioner Gonzales spoke on how much she enjoyed the senior trip to tour Hollywood, and stated that she was disappointed that individuals were unable to enter the Griffith Observatory if they did not have their COVID vaccination record with them. She also expressed her disappointment that some seniors that had registered to attend the trip did not turn up, which resulted in the city losing funding and deprived other seniors of the opportunity to attend.

DIRECTOR RODRIGUEZ

Director Rodriguez indicated that staff can present a verbal report on potentially implementing a cancellation policy, after which it could be developed in depth and presented to the Council for adoption.

CHAIR DIAZ

Chair Diaz also spoke on her enjoyment of the Hollywood tour trip.

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN

Vice Chair Guzman noted that the Zumba instructor has allowed non-registered individuals to participate in the class, which she felt was unfair to those that paid to register. She suggested maybe allowing interested persons to participate in sampling one class, but should be required to pay registration fees if they wish to continue.

MANAGER BELTRAN

Manager Beltran advised that staff would mention the concern to the instructor and will encourage interested persons to sign up for future classes since the current class is full.

CHAIR DIAZ

Responding to a question by Chair Diaz, Manager Beltran advised that the evening classes are doing very well.

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN

Vice Chair Guzman reported that an individual is entering the Senior Center through the exit, to which Manager Beltran indicated that staff has spoken to the individual and has informed him where he should enter from.

CHAIR DIAZ

Chair Diaz thanked staff for ordering new exercise equipment. She also reported noticing individuals eating on the new couches, and expressed concern that they would stain the furniture. She suggested that signs be placed to request that patrons avoid eating while seated at the new furniture, to which Director Rodriguez indicated that the seniors are careful while enjoying their beverages at the couches, and that placing signs is probably not necessary. She added that the janitorial staff is also on hand to clean up any accidental spillage.

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COMMISSIONER
ACOSTA

Commissioner Acosta stated that it was nice to see many insurance vendors present at the recent health fair, and that she enjoyed it very much.

MANAGER BELTRAN

Manager Beltran agreed that the health fair went very well. However, staff will adjust future fairs to avoid scheduling conflicts with other activities.

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN

Vice Chair Guzman asked that staff look into whether Mt. Sac instructors could hold a crocheting class, to which Manager Beltran advised that staff would look into the request, though she noted that Mt. Sac requires a minimum of 25 students in order to hold classes.

As requested by Vice Chair Guzman, Manager Beltran mentioned the new Senior Center hours.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

ATTEST:



Armando Hegdahl
Management Analyst

Approved as presented at the meeting held November 28, 2022.