

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

**NOVEMBER 28, 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;
Vice Chair Maggie Guzman; Chair Virginia Diaz

Absent: Commissioner Iris Rodriguez

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 Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by Commissioner Acosta, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was unanimously approved; Commissioner Rodriguez absent.

**ITEM NO. 1A
MINUTES**

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The minutes of the regular meeting held October 24, 2022, were approved.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

**SENIOR CENTER
MANAGER UPDATE**

Manager Beltran provided the following update:

- A) The annual Employee Holiday Luncheon and Service Awards event will be held this Thursday. The Senior Center will close for the event at 11:30 a.m. and will reopen at 2:30 p.m., and will remain open until 5:00 p.m.
- B) A wine bottle painting class will be held on Friday.
- C) Muffin Monday will be held on Monday. An iPhone workshop will also be held that same day.
- D) A greeting card workshop will be held on Thursday.
- E) The sold-out Christmas Dinner Dance will be held on Friday.
- F) A gingerbread house decorating and crafts class will be held on December 14.
- G) Bunco will be held on December 15.
- H) A Birthday Brunch activity has been scheduled for December 16.
- I) A "White Elephant Cookies & Cocoa" event is scheduled for December 21.
- J) A field trip to 123 Farms has been scheduled for December 17.

- K) The week of December 19 is "Holiday Spirit" week, where attendees are encouraged to wear various festive clothing each day of the week.

PUBLIC SERVICES
DIRECTOR UPDATE

Director Rodriguez provided the following update:

- 1) City Offices, with the exception of the Recreation and Police Departments, will be closed for two weeks beginning December 19.
- 2) The Annual Christmas Spectacular and Mayor's Tree Lighting event will be held this Friday in Irwindale Plaza. The event will be moved indoors in case it rains.
- 3) She also provided some details regarding SB 1383 relating to organic waste, and the steps the city has taken to comply with the new regulations. Additional information regarding the program's requirements will be mailed to all resident households.
- 4) The San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments has established energy efficiency programs, where it will assist interested residents with free energy-efficiency assessments in an effort to reduce energy use and costs. A flyer on this program was mailed along with the City newsletter.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS
AND REQUESTS

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN

Vice Chair Guzman reported a complaint from a non-resident where individuals registered to attend the Tai Chi class at a specific time have attended classes at other times, which leads to these classes experiencing overcrowding, to which Commissioner Gonzales suggested that the complaint be routed to the Mt. Sac instructor for follow up.

Vice Chair Guzman also reported on a separate complaint she received regarding seniors that did not enjoy all the music played at the recent Thanksgiving Dinner Dance

COMMISSIONER
GONZALES

Commissioner Gonzales spoke very highly of the Dance and noted that the food served was particularly delicious. She asked whether the same caterer would serve at the Christmas Dinner Dance, to which Manager Beltran advised that a different company would cater that event.

Commissioner Gonzales also asked when the Commissioner reorganization would be held, to which Analyst Hegdahl advised that it is typically conducted in January of each year.

CHAIR DIAZ

Responding to a question by Chair Diaz, Director Rodriguez advised that the flags of the United States and the State of California are displayed on the pole fronting the Police Department.

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COMMISSIONER GONZALES Commissioner Gonzales spoke highly of the Scarecrow Alley activities and encouraged additional activities that invite participation from members of the community.

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN Vice Chair Guzman stated that many non-resident seniors remain impressed with the high quality of service and events that are organized through the Senior Center staff.

COMMISSIONER GONZALES Commissioner Gonzales concurred with Vice Chair Guzman and thanked Recreation staff for the wonderful trip to the San Clemente Shopping Center.

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN Vice Chair Guzman expressed her appreciation for the hard work of the Senior Center employees.

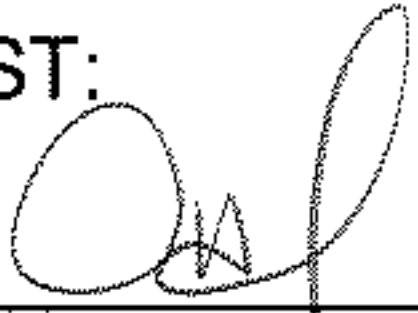
COMMISSIONER ACOSTA Commissioner Acosta agreed with Vice Chair Guzman and thanked staff for the festive Thanksgiving Dinner Dance.

VICE CHAIR GUZMAN Vice Chair Guzman also expressed her gratitude for the gift card giveaway, which Director Rodriguez noted was sponsored by the Irwindale Community Foundation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

ATTEST:



Armando Hegdahl
Management Analyst

Approved as presented at the meeting held December 19, 2022.