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Ariana De La Cruz,
Executive Director

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS COMMISSION**

AGENDA

January 17, 2024, 6:00 PM
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

PUBLIC COMMENT

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MEETINGS

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1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Fonseca, Miramontes, Sanchez, Strong, and Tavera

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Fonseca

3. PRESENTATIONS – None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, remove items from consent calendar for individual consideration and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers may provide public comments on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission, including items on the agenda. Each speaker may speak up to five minutes. Unless a majority of the Commission objects, the Chair may provide speakers more or less time to speak. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Commission as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the Commission shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and customary and are enacted by a single motion with the exception of items previously removed by a member of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

6a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2023

Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the October 18, 2023, Regular Advancement of Women and Girls Commission Meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the October 18, 2023, Regular Advancement of Women and Girls Commission Meeting.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

The Advancement of Women and Girls Commission will select Chair and Vice Chair for the term commencing on January 17, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission nominate and select a Chair and Vice Chair.

7b. ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS EVENT

The Advancement of Women and Girls Commission will discuss a proposed event in efforts of the advancement of women and girls.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission discuss and provide feedback on a proposed event for the advancement of women and girls.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

AB 1234, section 53232.3(d) requires Members of a legislative body to provide brief reports on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency (i.e conferences, etc.) at the next regular meeting of the legislative body.

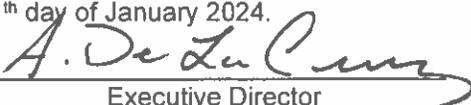
9. CORRESPONDENCE – None.

10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA – None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

I Ariana De La Cruz, hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted not less than 72 hours at the following locations: City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at www.cityofsouthelmonte.org on this 11th day of January 2024.


Executive Director



Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 6.a.

DATE: January 17, 2024

TO: Honorable Members of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission

SUBMITTED BY: Ariana De La Cruz, Executive Director

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2023

SUMMARY: Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the October 18, 2023. Regular Meeting of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the October 18, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission.

FISCAL IMPACT:

DISCUSSION:

ATTACHMENT(S):

A. DRAFT Minutes

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

Chair Retamoza, called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner(s): Rubio, Vice Chair Sanchez, and Chair Retamoza
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Montejano and Ramirez

STAFF PRESENT: Ariana De La Cruz, Secretary, Nancy Rodriguez, Community Services Analyst, and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader.

2. PLEAD OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Elizabeth Ramirez led the Pledge of Alliance.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.a. Elizabeth Evans, Valle Lindo School District Superintendent, provided motivational presentation.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Rubio, seconded by Vice Chair Sanchez to approve the agenda. Motion passed 3-0-2, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Rubio, Vice Chair Sanchez and Chair Retamoza
NAYS: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Montejano and Ramirez

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Retamoza opened public comment.

1. Mayor Gloria Olmos shared information regarding the March to End Domestic Violence and extended the invitation to the commissioners.

There being no further comment, Chair Retamoza closed public comment.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Commissioner Rubio, seconded by Vice Chair Sanchez to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 3-0-2, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Rubio, Vice Chair Sanchez and Chair Retamoza
NAYS: Commissioner(s): None
ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Montejano and Ramirez

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. WALK TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCE & FAIR

Mrs. De La Cruz, Secretary informed the Commissioners about the City's 3rd Annual Walk to End Domestic Violence Resource Fair scheduled on Thursday, October 19, 2023, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS

Commissioner Rubio shared her attendance at the Empowerment of Women Conference in the City of Buena Park on August 26th and attended the "Purple with Purpose" event at the City of El Monte.

Vice Chair Sanchez, nothing to report.

Chair Retamoza, nothing to report.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – None.

10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

10.a. CHAIR GRACIE RETAMOZA

1. Discussion of potential commission actions based on survey results conducted to women and girls in the community.

Chair Retamoza opened the discussion amongst the Commissioners regarding the actions followed from the survey results conducted to women and girls in the community. Commissioners agreed that the workshop offered by the Valle Lindo School District in February of 2024 is a great starting point to offer resources to women and girls in the community.

10b. COMMISSIONER JACQUELINE RUBIO

1. Discussion on a Female Entrepreneur Small Business Seminar

Commissioner Rubio opened the discussion on the importance to offer a Female Entrepreneur Small Business Seminar in our Community and shared a success story from one of the City's Night Market vendors.

2. Daycare Resources for Single Mothers

Commissioner Rubio opened the discussion regarding the daycare resources for single mothers and to keep in mind this subject when planning future workshops/seminars.

Mayor Olmos agreed to work with Commissioner Rubio on this item.

3. Discussion on a "Power of Purpose" event (Do something you have never done before)

Commissioner Rubio opened the discussion regarding a potential idea for an event with the “Power of Purpose, Do Something You Have Never Done Before” theme. Commissioners agreed to partner with the Valle Lindo School District’s event in February 2024.

The commissioner gathered to complete an activity offered by Dr. Evans which included making a bouquet out of real flowers.

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:57 p.m. Chair Retamoza adjourned the meeting to a Regular Advancement of Women and Girls Commission Meeting on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Ariana De La Cruz, Secretary

Gracie Retamoza, Chair

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Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.a.

DATE: January 17, 2024

TO: Honorable Members of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission

From: Ariana De La Cruz, Executive Director

Subject: COMMISSION ORGANIZATION – SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

SUMMARY: The Advancement of Women and Girls Commission will nominate and select the Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the term commencing on January 17, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission nominate a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the term commencing on January 17, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

DISCUSSION: The Advancement of Women and Girls Commission will nominate and select the Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the term commencing on January 17, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

ATTACHMENT(S): None.



Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.b.

DATE: January 17, 2024

TO: Honorable Members of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission

From: Ariana De La Cruz, Executive Director

Subject: PROPOSED EVENT FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS

SUMMARY: The Advancement of Women and Girls Commission will discuss a proposed event in efforts of the advancement of women and girls.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Commission discuss and provide feedback on a proposed event for the advancement of women and girls.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

DISCUSSION: In 2022, the city formed a committee composed of female city employees who worked collaboratively in efforts to form the City's first Advancement of Women and Girls Commission. The committee planned a series of workshops and events providing workshops and presentations to all women and girls in the community.

In 2023, the official Advancement of Women and Girls Commission was selected by the City Council to serve as an advisory board to the Council in all efforts related to the advancement of women and girls. The commission evaluated surveys that were completed by the committee and provided valuable suggestions as to the resources to make available to the residents of South El Monte.

At this point, the City committee will continue to meet to plan workshops/events in conjunction with the members of the Advancement of Women and Girls Commission.

ATTACHMENT(S): None.