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MINUTES
REGULAR CALLED MEETING
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M.
118 S. CAGE BLVD., 2ND FLOOR, PHARR, TEXAS

The Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Pharr, Texas met on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. and the following is the record of attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Aaron Garza
Isaac Smith
Mario Guajardo
Hector Treviño
Gabriel Treviño
Alma Caso

MEMBERS ABSENT: Eduardo Mata
Ana Chavez
Juan Garcia

STAFF PRESENT: Sergio Alanis
Isaac Escobedo
Elva Guajardo
Cindy Bernal
Sara Guerra
Adam Diaz
Sarah Canizales
Roel Hinojosa
Lili Martinez
Sean Martin
Abel Molina

OTHERS PRESENT: Hilda Pedraza

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Board chairman Hector Treviño called the meeting to order.

A) ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT MEMBER

Hector Treviño introduced the item. Board member Mario Guajardo made a motion to excuse absent board members. Aaron Garza seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 2: ADMINISTRATIVE

ITEM A) INTRODUCTION OF NEW PARKS STAFF AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Hector Treviño introduced the item. Parks and Recreation Director Sergio Alanis began by welcoming the board back. He then introduced all his staff present, as well as new Aquatic Supervisor, Adam Diaz, to the board. Mr. Diaz introduced himself to the board and informed the board on the lap swimming hours. The board welcomed Mr. Diaz. Board vice-chairman Mario Guajardo asked for a status on the After-School Program. Mr. Alanis informed him that the department was prepared and equipped to resume the program, pending the school district's status on resuming.

ITEM B) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JANUARY 8, 2020-REGULAR CALLED MEETING

Hector Treviño introduced the item. Board member Mario Guajardo made a motion to approve the minutes. Isaac Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM C) STATUS OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Hector Treviño introduced the item. Parks and Recreation Director Sergio Alanis began by informing the board that the department would not be hosting any winter athletics, or recreation programs due to the on-going pandemic. Mr. Alanis then informed board that park staff was working on putting up all the Christmas decorations. He then added that the Haunted Trail hosted at the Nature Park had been a successful event.

Board vice-chairman Mario Guajardo then thanked the Parks and Recreation staff for the extra work they did at the Communications Center during the beginning of the COVID pandemic.

ITEM D) DISCUSSION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON AWARDING YOUTH ACTIVITY FUND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Hector Treviño introduced the item. Administrative Assistant Elva Guajardo began by going over the information she had provided the board on the scholarship recipients. A total of eight applicants had applied with only four meeting the full criteria. Before Ms. Guajardo turned it over to the board for discussion, she also informed the board that in addition to the award scholarships, the Reyes Vela family had awarded one recipient \$300. on behave of the Reyes R. Vela Scholarship. After a brief discussion Board vice president Mario Guajardo made a motion to award each scholarship recipient \$1,000. Aaron Garza seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

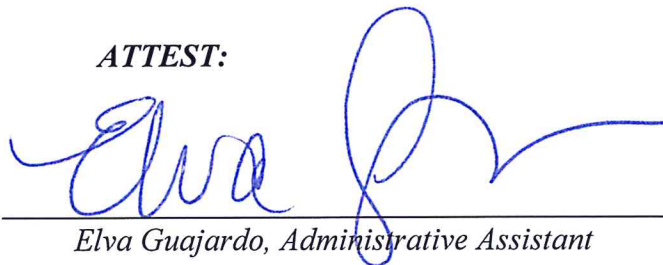
ITEM 3: ADJOURNMENT

Hector Treviño introduced the item. There being no further business, Mario Guajardo moved to adjourn. It was seconded by Isaac Smith and the motion carried unanimously.

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF PHARR**

ON THE 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020, the Parks and Recreation Committee of the City of Pharr, Texas, convened in a Regular Called Meeting at City Hall, 118 S. Cage Blvd. The meeting being open to the public notice of the said meeting, giving the date, place and subject hereof, having been posted in accordance with chapter 551, Texas Government code (Open Meeting Act) and there being a present quorum, **I Elva Guajardo, Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant, of the City of Pharr, Texas**, certify that this is true and correct copy of the minutes.

ATTEST:



Elva Guajardo, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED DATE: 2-10-21