

**MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR CALLED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023
118 S. CAGE BLVD., 2ND FLOOR**

The Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Pharr, Texas met in a Regular Called meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. and the following is the record of attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Hector Treviño
Mario Guajardo
Rudy Beltran
Bobby Carrillo Jr.
Ben Cantu
Mario Lizcano

MEMBERS ABSENT: Isaac Smith
Hernan Figueroa
Erika Sciaraffa

STAFF PRESENT: Sergio Alanis, Parks and Recreation Director
Cynthia Castro, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director
Elva Guajardo, Administrative Assistant
Hanna Marble, Urban Ecologist
Adam Diaz, Division Head
Anthony Rodriguez, Athletic Supervisor
Roel Hinojosa, Athletic Supervisor
Abel Molina, Afterschool Program Supervisor

OTHERS PRESENT: David Friedlein, Assistant City Manager

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Chairman Hector Treviño called the meeting to order. Roll call established a quorum.

Board Member Mario Guajardo **moved** to excuse absent members. Board Member Bobby Carrillo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 2. ADMINISTRATIVE

A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR AUGUST 16, 2023-REGULAR CALLED MEETING

Chairman Hector Treviño introduced the item.

Board Member Mario Guajardo **moved** to approve. Board Member Rudy Beltran seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

B) INTRODUCTION OF NEW PARKS BOARD MEMBER-MARIO LIZCANO (TABLED ITEM)

Chairman Hector Treviño introduced the item.

Board Member Mario Guajardo **moved** to untable the item. Board Member Rudy Beltran seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

Chairman Hector Trevino welcomed new board member, Mario Lizcano.

Board Member Mario Lizcano thanked the City of Pharr for the opportunity and stated he was happy to be a part of the board and was ready to serve and be utilized as needed.

C) STATUS REPORT- FALL RECREATION, ATHLETICS, AQUATICS, AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS, AND URBAN ECOLOGIST

Chairman Hector Treviño introduced the item.

Hanna Marble, Urban Ecologist, presented a flyer to the Board and extended an invitation to them and the public to attend the Arbor Day celebration event. She stated the event would be held on Sunday, November 5, 2023, at Dr. William Long City/School Park and trees would be given out to Pharr residents will be given trees from 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. She also reminded the board that the City of Pharr would be hosting a Coastal Expo for kids in partnership with Texas Parks and Wildlife on December 7-8, 2023, at the Pharr Natatorium. She stated the event would be for kids from 1st-6th grade from all the Rio Grande Valley will be invited to learn about coastal ecology and experience outdoor adventure.

Parks and Recreation Supervisors provided a fall status on the programs which included participation numbers and start and end dates. Athletic Supervisors gave a summary of the season for each of their respective programs and answered questions

for the board.

D) COMMENTS: BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman Hector Treviño introduced the item. There were no comments from the Board Members.

ITEM 3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Member Ben Cantu **moved** to adjourn. Board member Bobby Carrillo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

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

ON THE 18th DAY OF OCTOBER 2023, 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: _____