

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION OF  
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA**

**June 4, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was called to order by Chairman Susan Savage at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:

Chairman Susan Savage  
Vice Chairman Rebecca Cline  
Commissioner Cathy Alvarez  
Commissioner Adriana Spirescu  
Commissioner Matthew Wight

Absent:

Commissioner Erin Berry

Staff:

Oliver Osuna, Community Services Director  
Tammie Ann Acosta, Department Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Rick Cline thanked staff and the City for helping coordinate the Memorial Day event at Olive Lawn Memorial Park on May 26.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 7, 2025**

Commissioner Alvarez moved and Commissioner Wight seconded to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2025 meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**AYES:** Chairman Savage, Vice Chairman Cline, Commissioners Alvarez, Spirescu, Wight  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** Commissioner Berry  
**ABSTAIN:** None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2. 2025 PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH**

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the 2025 Parks and Recreation Month and the various programs and events to be held during the month of July. He said La Mirada will join cities throughout the nation in celebrating Parks and Recreation Month in July.

Commissioner Alvarez asked which events are new for this year. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said Friday Night Swim and Paint Night are the two new events this year.

Chairman Savage asked if pre-registration for the Paint Night event is required. Mr. Osuna responded and said pre-registration for the event is required so that the instructor has adequate supplies for attendees.

Commissioner Wight inquired about last year's Bark in the Park event and asked if the event would be held again this year. Mr. Osuna responded and said the Bark in the Park event was successful last year and that it will be held in September with a new theme.

### **3. CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS AND NIGHT MARKET AND STROLL IN THE PARK**

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the Concerts Under the Stars and Night Market and Stroll in the Park. He reported on the various aspects of each event and encouraged Commissioners to attend the events and report back at a future Commission meeting.

Chairman Savage asked if the food vendors would be on a rotation to offer a variety of food options. Mr. Osuna responded and said the City has contracted with Enriched Farms, an independent contractor that specializes in coordinating markets. He said Enriched Farms schedules the vendors and works with local agencies to obtain all necessary permits. He added that there would be a wide variety of food options available.

Vice Chairman Cline asked which specific food vendors would be participating during this summer's events. Mr. Osuna responded and said staff had not yet received the list from Enriched Farms.

Chairman Savage asked about parking for the event and weather the City reserved parking at La Mirada High School. Mr. Osuna responded and said that parking would be the same as prior years and that parking is available at La Mirada Regional Park. He said the City does not reserve parking for the high school.

Commissioner Alvarez said the summer concert lineup looks wonderful and that she is looking forward to attending the Veterans Appreciation and National Night Out concerts.

Commissioner Wight asked if Commissioners would be announcing the bands again. Mr. Osuna responded and said that Commissioners would be invited to sign up to announce the bands.

#### **4. 2025 INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION**

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the 2025 Independence Celebration to be held July 3 at La Mirada Regional Park. He reported on the various components of the event and encouraged Commissioners to attend the event.

Commissioner Wight inquired if the fireworks show would be different from last year's show. Mr. Osuna responded and said the fireworks show would be very similar to last year's show.

Chairman Savage asked if staff has considered a drone show in lieu of a fireworks show. Mr. Osuna responded and said staff researched drone shows and found them to be much more expensive than a fireworks show.

Vice Chairman Cline asked what time the fireworks would be launched. Mr. Osuna responded and said; the fireworks show typically begins at 9 p.m.

#### **SENIOR, HISTORICAL, AND YOUTH COUNCIL REPORTS**

La Mirada Senior Council Chairperson Mary Hall reported an All that Dance event would be held at the Activity Center on June 6. She said there would be an additional All that Dance event in July. She reported that the Senior Council is exploring possible destinations for a new Senior Excursion program.

Historical Preservation Advisory Councilmember (HPAC) Marlene Olsen reported that she, along with HPAC Members, recently visited the La Mirada Community Gymnasium. She said Members are assessing the historical items located inside a display case at the Gymnasium and may update the items. She reported on her attendance at the Mother Daughter Luncheon and said she enjoyed it.

#### **COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner Spirescu invited Commissioners to her annual neighborhood 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. She reported that she has heard from several friends who live far away who are planning on attending the Independence Celebration at La Mirada Regional Park.

Vice Chairman Cline reported on her attendance at a turf replacement workshop held at the Activity Center. She thanked the City for helping coordinate the Memorial Day Celebration at Olive Lawn Memorial Park.

Commissioner Alvarez reported on her attendance at a special education prom in the City of Norwalk, and the production of Legally Blonde at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts. She said she is pleased that the Ebell Club is granting scholarships again this year.

Commissioner Wight reported on his attendance at the Volunteer Day at Splash! and said the event was well organized and he saw many community members enjoying the event. He said he was grateful to receive the Neighborhood Hero Award.

Chairman Savage reported on her attendance at the Memorial Day Celebration at Olive Lawn Memorial Park and thanked the Veterans Coordinating Council for its efforts to organize the event.

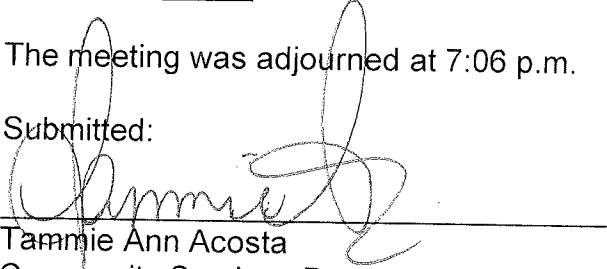
**STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Community Services Director Osuna said the Commission would hold its annual reorganization in August and that there would be no meeting in July due to the Independence Celebration.

**ADJOURNMENT**

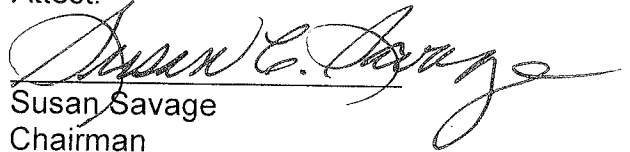
The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted:



Tammie Ann Acosta  
Community Services Department Secretary

Attest:



Susan Savage  
Chairman