

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

August 6, 2025

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was called to order by Commissioner 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 Erin Berry
 Commissioner Adriana Spirescu
 Commissioner Matthew Wight

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Allison Ortiz, Community Library Manager of the La Mirada Public Library, reported on programs offered at the library. She encouraged Commissioners to visit the library and explore the many programs and services available to the community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2025

Commissioner Wight moved and Commissioner Alvarez seconded to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2025, meeting.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

REORGANIZATION

2. REORGANIZATION OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

Community Services Director Oliver Osuna reported on the procedures for the reorganization of the Community Services Commission. He opened the floor for nominations for Chairman.

Commissioner Wight moved and Commissioner Cline seconded to elect Commissioner Spirescu as Chairman of the Community Services Commission.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Alvarez, Berry, Cline, Savage, Spirescu, Wight
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Chairman Spirescu opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman.

Commissioner Alvarez moved seconded by Commissioner Wight to elect Commissioner Berry to serve as Vice Chairman of the Community Services Commission.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3. 2025 PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the 2025 Parks and Recreation Month and the various programs and events that were offered during the month of July. He presented a slide show with photos from several of the events and reported on attendance records.

Commissioner Wight said the Friday Night Swim event offered for a \$5 admission was a great idea and allowed many new patrons to experience the waterpark.

Vice Chairman Berry asked if the Friday Night Swim event resulted in additional season pass and or daily admission sales. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that staff members are exploring ways to help track this data.

Commissioner Wight reported on his attendance at the Volunteer Appreciation Concert and said it was well organized, and the food was exceptional.

Commissioner Savage commented on the Volunteer Appreciation Concert and asked if Military Banner recipients would be recognized at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts next year as they have been in past years. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that the event has been relocated to its current location which is in conjunction with the Concerts Under the Stars series due to low attendance for the event at the Theatre.

Vice Chairman Berry asked how far in advance community events are publicized on social media. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that events are publicized in the La Mirada Living about a month in advance and on social media approximately a week prior to the event.

Commissioner Alvarez commended the City for offering worthwhile programs and events.

Commissioner Wight said the events offered this summer provided a wide variety of activities for all ages and that they were well organized.

Commissioner Cline thanked staff for consistently organizing outstanding programs and events for the community.

Commissioner Savage reported on her conversation with a community member she met at a recent Concerts Under the Stars event who told her he enjoys the concerts because it allows him to get out of the house with his dog.

SENIOR, HISTORICAL, AND YOUTH COUNCIL REPORTS

La Mirada Senior Council Chairperson Mary Hall reported on the upcoming Community Health and Safety Fair to be held at the Activity Center. She also reported on the new Senior Excursion program and said the first trip would be held in November.

Historical Preservation Advisory Councilmember (HPAC) Marlene Olsen reported on her attendance at the Volunteer Appreciation concert and former community volunteer Alice Palicz's memorial service.

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Wight reported on the closure of Behringer Park due to field renovations. He said that staff helped secure alternative fields for sports teams to practice and host games. He also reported that Pop Warner would be playing its games at the new La Mirada High School Football Stadium.

Chairman Spirescu reported on her annual neighborhood 4th of July parade with some 300 community members in attendance. She also reported that 2026 will mark the 250th anniversary of the United States, specifically the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. She inquired about the City's plans if any to recognize the milestone.

Commissioner Cline reported on her attendance at the Volunteer Recognition Concert, a Neighborhood Watch meeting and pickleball at the Community Gymnasium.

Commissioner Alvarez reported on a recent backpack giveaway for students and a barbeque for PTA members.

Chairman Savage reported she attended all the Concerts in the Park and enjoyed them all.

Vice Chairman Berry reported on her attendance at the Volunteer Concert in the Park and a new game store opening in the Theatre shopping center.

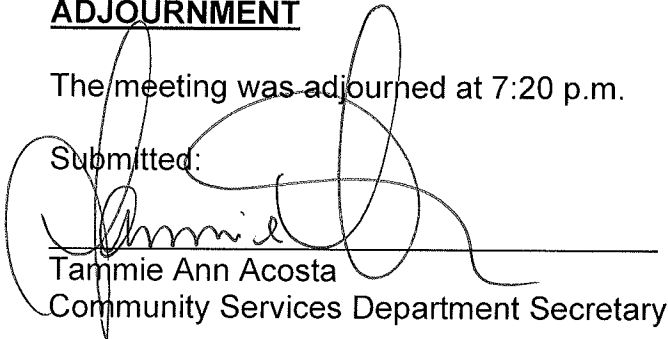
STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted:



Tammie Ann Acosta
Community Services Department Secretary

Attest:



Adriana Spirescu
Chairman