

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

March 4, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was called to order by Chairman Adriana Spirescu 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 Adriana Spirescu
Commissioner Cathy Alvarez
Commissioner Rebecca Cline
Commissioner Susan Savage
Commissioner Matthew Wight

Absent:

Vice Chairman Erin Berry
Commissioner Daniel Cabrera

Staff:

Oliver Osuna, Community Services Director
Veronica Luna, Community Services Coordinator
Tammie Ann Acosta, Department Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2026

Commissioner Alvarez moved and Commissioner Wight seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 4, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. 2026 EASTER EGG HUNT

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the 2026 Easter Egg Hunt. He reported that the event would be held on Saturday, April 4 from 9 to 11 a.m., at La Mirada Regional Park. He said event festivities would include games, crafts, performances by children in the City's Tiny Tots program, balloon artists, bounce houses, photos with the Easter Bunny, and an Easter Egg Hunt.

Chairman Spirescu said she has attended the Egg Hunt for the past 20 years.

Commissioner Alvarez said she plans on attending to support the Kiwanis Club with its annual pancake breakfast prior to the event.

Commissioner Wight asked if there would be two photo stations similar to last year to help alleviate long lines. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that there would be two photo stations.

3. 2026 CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS AND NIGHT MARKET

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the 2026 Concerts Under the Stars and Night Market. He reported that the concert series would commence on June 11 and continue through August 6. He said the series would feature a variety of musical genres suitable for the whole family. He reported that the popular Night Market would return this year to offer attendees a wide variety of specialty foods, drinks, and desserts and in addition to the live music and food, several crafts and activities for children will be planned. Lastly, he added that the concerts would be moved to Neff Park due to increased rental fees for La Mirada Regional Park from the County of Los Angeles.

Commissioner Alvarez said she feels the relocation of the concerts to Neff Park will be good for families and allow them to enjoy Neff Park.

Commissioner Savage expressed her concern with elevated noise levels for nearby residents. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that the City has not received any noise related complaints from residents in the past following similar events taking place at Neff Park.

Commissioner Cline said she recalls from similar events held at Neff Park that many community members enjoyed the festivities.

Commissioner Savage asked logistically where the food vendors would be placed in the park. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that staff members are evaluating the layout and have not yet determined the exact location of the vendor area.

Commissioner Wight asked if there are plans to have Public Safety assist with parking. Community Services Director Osuna responded and said that Public Safety staff would be onsite to assist with parking on the Rancho site and directing traffic.

4. SPRING BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS PROGRAM

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the Spring Beautification Awards Program. He reported that judging would take place March 30 through April 10 and that volunteer judges were needed to assist with the program. He said there would be a judges' meeting at the Resource Center on March 25. He said selected properties would be honored at a special awards ceremony at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts on Monday, June 22.

Chairman Spirescu said that she and her sister are volunteering as judges.

Commissioner Cline said she and her husband signed up to volunteer as judges again this year as they traditionally participate.

Commissioner Wight said he and his wife volunteered last year as judges and it was a great experience. He said they were able to see areas of the City that they had not yet seen. He said they signed up to judge again this year.

Commissioner Alvarez complemented staff on the design of the brochure for the event, she said it was well done.

SENIOR, HISTORICAL, AND YOUTH COUNCIL REPORTS

Senior Council Chairman Mary Hall reported that the senior excursion to the Nixon Presidential Library was a success and was sold out with 50 seniors in attendance. She said that she feels moving the concerts to Neff Park will be a good change and will provide ample shade for those in attendance. She reported she signed up as a volunteer judge again this year for the Spring Beautification program.

Historical Preservation Advisory Councilmember (HPAC) Marlene Olsen reported this year will be her 22nd year volunteering as a judge for the Spring Beautification program. She reported she attended her first Phantom Projects show at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts recently and enjoyed the show. She also reported on Neff tours, the HPAC archive room and that HPAC plans on hosting tours of the Neff Mansion during the concerts at Neff Park.

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Savage said she looks forward to the summer concerts.

Commissioner Alvarez reported on her attendance at the Youth in Government Luncheon, Meals on Wheels Spaghetti Dinner, and PTA and VFW events.

Commissioner Wight reported on the progress of the Behringer Park renovation, opening day ceremonies for athletic teams and the upcoming spring athletic season.

Chairman Spirescu reported on her attendance at the Meals on Wheels Spaghetti Dinner. She reported that she rented the Community Gymnasium for a youth conference and those in attendance enjoyed the gymnasium. She reported that the La Mirada Albertsons has 250th anniversary, semiquincentennial commemorative bags for sale.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Services Director Osuna reported on the City's plans to celebrate the 250th anniversary of America. He reported that staff members are arranging to hire a band and a drone operator to perform during the event scheduled for June 6 in the Civic Center Plaza. He reported that Behringer Park is expected to reopen by the end of March.

ADJOURNMENT

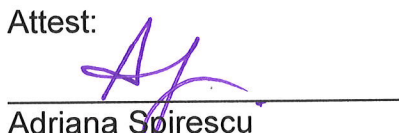
The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Submitted:



Tammie Ann Acosta
Community Services Department Secretary

Attest:



Adriana Spirescu
Chairman