

**CITY OF BUENA PARK  
NAVIGATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
October 8, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Recording Secretary, Sylvia Gonzales called the Navigation Advisory Committee Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., City Hall Council Chamber, 6650 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Castaneda, Choi, Innocente, Jessup, Jih, McCann, Ross

Absent: Crumpler

Also Present: Jim Box, Director of Community Services

Mark Averell, Purchasing Manager

Sylvia Gonzales, Senior Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

Timothy Huynh, Mercy House Representative

Yolanda Viramontes, Mercy House Representative

James Brooks, Mercy House Representative

Buena Park Police Representatives (4)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Recording Secretary, Sylvia Gonzales

**1. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**2. CITY UPDATES/NAVIGATION CENTER UPDATES/PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Timothy Huynh from Mercy House gave an update on the Navigation Center for the month of August. There were 46 exits out of the shelter serving 126 total since opening.

Buena Park Police Officer Cory Boudreau gave an update on public safety for the Navigation Center. There has been no issues at the center. There is a 70-80 % decrease in the homeless camps throughout Buena Park.

**3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. Election of Officers - Presented by Sylvia Gonzales  
Sylvia Gonzales, Recording Secretary, opened nominations for Chair of the Navigation Advisory Committee. Committee Member McCann was nominated by Jim Box. Hearing no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

AYES: 7 Committee Member(s): Castaneda, Choi, Innocente, Jessup, Jih, McCann, Ross

NOES: 0 Committee Member(s):

ABSENT: 1 Committee Member(s): Crumpler

ABSTAIN: 0 Committee Member(s):

Motion has passed for Committee Member McCann to be Chair of the Navigation Advisory Committee.

Sylvia Gonzales, Recording Secretary, opened nominations for Vice Chair of the Navigation Advisory Committee. Committee Member Innocente nominated herself. Hearing no further nominations, the nominations were closed.

AYES: 7 Committee Member(s): Castaneda, Choi, Innocente, Jessup, Jih, McCann, Ross  
NOES: 0 Committee Member(s):  
ABSENT: 1 Committee Member(s): Crumpler  
ABSTAIN: 0 Committee Member(s):

Motion has passed for Committee Member Innocente to be Vice Chair of the Navigation Advisory Committee.

- b. Selection of date and time for regular quarterly Committee Meetings – Presented by Jim Box

Staff recommends the following: Quarterly meetings to be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am or the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10:00 am.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month (quarterly) at 10:00 am**

AYES: 7 Committee Member(s): Castaneda, Choi, Innocente, Jessup, Jih, McCann, Ross  
NOES: 0 Committee Member(s):  
ABSENT: 1 Committee Member(s): Crumpler  
ABSTAIN: 0 Committee Member(s):

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month (quarterly) at 10:00 am**

AYES: 0 Committee Member(s):  
NOES: 7 Committee Member(s): Castaneda, Choi, Innocente, Jessup, Jih, McCann, Ross  
ABSENT: 1 Committee Member(s): Crumpler  
ABSTAIN: 0 Committee Member(s):

Motion has passed for quarterly meetings to be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**June 15, 2020**

\*\*\* *M/S/P* – Committee Member Ross made a motion to approve and Committee Member Castaneda seconds the motion to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion passed.

**July 17, 2020**

\*\*\* *M/S/P* – Committee Member Castaneda made a motion to approve and Committee Member McCann seconds the motion to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion passed.

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS:** None.

**6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Committee Member Ross had questions about the 46 people who exited the center. Committee Member Innocente ask if any of the people who exited the center received a section 8 voucher. Committee Member McCann requested a hard copy report of the monthly report that Mercy House sends the city each month. Committee Member Jih commented on how her company is distributing business cards for City Net to help get the homeless connected to the center. Committee Member Choi has a concern about a particular homeless man who is continuously at his church. Committee Member Innocente wanted to know if there was data on the number of citations that have been issued to any people in the encampment. Committee Member McCann requests City Net to be at the next Navigation Advisory Meeting.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a. Next City Council Meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.
- b. Next Navigation Advisory Committee Meeting: TBD.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the Recording Secretary declared the meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting January 20, 2021, at 10:00 am.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Sylvia Gonzales, Recording Secretary

  
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Chair, Carol McCann