

MINUTES

CITY OF LA HABRA COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

PRELIMINARY: These Minutes are to be approved on February 11, 2026.

Community Services Commission Chair Schmidt called the Regular Meeting of the Community Services Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. at the La Habra Community Center located at 101 West La Habra Boulevard, La Habra, California.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chair Schmidt
Vice Chair Limon
Commissioner Hannah
Commissioner Rojas
Commissioner Surich

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Kim Albarian, Deputy Director of Community Services and Martha Montoya, Community Services Coordinator, Sal Ortega, Bernard Nolan, Melissa Rivera, Alicia Kautz, Hannah Harkins, Diane Gomez, Johanna Perez, Ricardo Marquez, Serenity Ponce Deleon and Sydney Hinkle.

INVOCATION: Chair Schmidt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Rojas

PUBLIC COMMENTS: **NONE**

NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Community Services Commission November 2025 Meeting Minutes.

MOVED by COMMISSIONER ROJAS, seconded by COMMISSIONER HANNAH and CARRIED 3–0 TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF November 12, 2025.

Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Chair Schmidt, Commissioners Hannah, and Commissioner Rojas

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Vice Chair Limon and Commissioner Surich.

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSIDERATON ITEMS

1. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funding for Public Service for FY 2026-2027.

The Commission heard presentations from the Public Service applicants for 2026-2027 CDBG funding. Presentations were made by the following organizations:

- A. Fair Housing Foundation
- B. Mercy House
- C. Community Services – Graffiti Removal
- D. Community Services – La Habra Community Employment Program
- E. La Habra Veteran’s Drop-In Resource Center

1. Community Services Department Presentation

The Community Services Department gave a presentation and introduction to its operations, programs, services and special events.

- A. Administration
- B. Graffiti Abatement
- C. Child Development
- D. Children’s Museum
- E. Employment & Training
- F. Recreation & City-wide Special Events
- G. Facility Rentals
- H. Youth Sports/Field Allocation/Joint Use Agreement
- I. Family & Youth Events
- J. Life in La Habra/Contract Classes
- K. Senior & Social Services
- L. Ministerial Association
- M. Community Engagement

STAFF COMMENTS:

Community Services Coordinator Montoya gave a detailed update on recent and upcoming Special Events in January, February and March.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Commissioner Rojas requested a date for the CDBG subcommittee meeting.

Vice Chair Limon suggested an Art in the Park event with the Art Association.

Commissioner Surich suggested that the Community Services Commissioners purchase a paver in their name.

Chair Schmidt inquired about the date for the beautification subcommittee meeting.

Chair Schmidt also suggested creating a new paver program for pets at Vin Scully Centennial Park and she suggested a video tour for commissioners that can be accessed online.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, 100 East La Habra Boulevard.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Montoya
Recording Secretary