

MINUTES

CITY OF LA HABRA COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

PRELIMINARY: These Minutes are to be approved on May 13, 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 Rojas
Commissioner Surich

ABSENT: Commissioner Hannah

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Kim Albarian, Acting Director of Community Services and Martha Montoya, Community Services Coordinator, Brandon Harris, Community Services Management Analyst II

INVOCATION: Chair Schmidt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Schmidt

PUBLIC COMMENTS: **NONE**

NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Community Services Commission March 2026 Meeting Minutes.

MOVED by COMMISSIONER SURICH, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR LIMON AND CARRIED 4-0 TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2025.

Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Chair Schmidt, Vice Chair Limon, Commissioner Rojas, and Commissioner Surich.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Commissioner Hannah.

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

1. Community Services Commission Reorganization.

COMMISSIONER SURICH NOMINATED VICE CHAIR LIMON TO BE INCOMING CHAIR, SECONDED BY CHAIR SCHMIDT AND CARRIED 4-0.

Said motion CARRIED by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Chair Schmidt, Vice Chair Limon, Commissioner Rojas, and Commissioner Surich.

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Commissioner Hannah.

ABSTAIN: NONE

VICE CHAIR LIMON NOMINATED COMMISSIONER SURICH TO BE VICE CHAIR. COMMISSIONER SURICH SECONDED THE MOTION. CHAIR SCHMIDT NOMINATED COMMISSIONER ROJAS TO BE VICE CHAIR. COMMISSIONER ROJAS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION FAILED ON A TIE VOTE 2-2.

Nomination of Appointing Commissioner Surich as Vice Chair:

Vice Chair Limon moved to appoint Commissioner Surich as Vice Chair. Seconded by Commissioner Surich.

Vote: 2 Ayes, 2 Nays.

Result: Motion FAILED and moved to May.

Nomination of Appointing Commissioner Rojas as Vice Chair:

Chair Schmidt moved to appoint Commissioner Rojas as Vice Chair. Seconded by Commissioner Rojas.

Vote: 2 Ayes, 2 Nays.

Result: Motion FAILED and moved to May.

2. Community Services Special Events Calendar April-July 2026.

The Community Services Coordinator, Martha Montoya shared the upcoming special events for April, May and June.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Acting Director of Community Services Kim Albarian provided an update on the upcoming La Habra 101 program. She also gave an update on the current status of the proposed FY 26/27 budget. Next, she introduced Brandon Harris as the new Management Analyst II for the Community Services Department. Additionally, she congratulated Kandace Gutierrez on her appointment as an alternate to the Community Services Commission and Annette Limon on her reappointment to the Community Services Commission.

COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Vice Chair Limon encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming blood drive. She also requested that the Commission honor Buffy Swodeck by dedicating the meeting to her.

Commissioner Surich shared about how much her great granddaughter enjoyed Egg Night. She also encouraged those who were able to sign up for the Spanish Citizens Academy to sign up because she really enjoyed the English one.

Commissioner Rojas shared about an article that he came across that was about the purpose of a Chamber of Commerce to enhance the city and how ideas and information shared in the article this can be implemented to improve our community.

Chair Schmidt had no comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, 100 East La Habra Boulevard.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Montoya
Recording Secretary