

MINUTES
COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS
Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers, 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California 93030
May 15, 2006
6:00 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p. m. Present were Commissioners, Reyes, Mitchell, Greer, Martinez, Baxter and Robinson. Commissioner Sherwood was unable to attend.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

C. INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY RELATIONS MINUTES

1. **SUBJECT:** Minutes from the April 17, 2006, Regular Meeting
RECOMMENDATION: Approved

D. PRESENTATIONS

1. Bonnie Weigel, California Strawberry Festival Manager gave an update on this years' event. She also reported that over 70,000 people attended last years' festival.
2. Filipino community representative, Tony Grey, invited the public to the flag raising ceremony on June 12, 2006, to be held in front of city hall with reception to follow in the Human Resources Activity Room. Mr. Grey also gave information on the upcoming Filipino Arts and Cultural Exposition at the Hueneme Pavilion from June 2 to the 4th, 2006.
3. Karina Arabolaza fair housing rights representative, gave a report on last years statistics in the Oxnard area. Out of 280 reports of alleged abuse, there were only 9 cases opened. Ms. Arabolaza also informed the public of the next meeting to be held in the Oxnard City Library on June 13 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
4. Gil Guevara, Resident Initiative Program Director for the Oxnard Housing Department gave a presentation of the services offered to residents in public housing to help create a safer environment.
5. Debra Shane, Oxnard Disaster Preparedness Coordinator informed residents on Community CERT Program and information on disaster preparedness plans for the city and surrounding communities.

E. COMMISSION/NEW BUSINESS

SUBJECT: Consideration of guest speakers for future CCR meetings
RECOMMENDATION: Staff was directed to invite guest speakers to future meetings

E REPORT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS SECRETARY

Luis Guereca reported on the MCF art contest and handed out forms to be distributed by the Commissioners and Martha Guillen.

G. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION EVENTS REPORT

Community Intervention and Awareness Subcommittee (Commissioner Robinson) No Report
Multicultural Festival Committee (Commissioners Reyes, Martinez, Baxter) No Further Report
Public Safety Subcommittee (Commissioners Baxter and Greer) Commissioner Greer gave out information on the upcoming Oxnard Police Memorial ceremony, he also reported on the newly formed CERT classes offered by the Oxnard Fire Department.
Youth Subcommittee (Commissioners Reyes and Martinez)
Neighborhood Councils (Commissioner Sherwood) No report
Fair Housing Report (Commissioner Martinez) Newly appointed, no report

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p. m. Next meeting is scheduled for, June 19, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California.

Luis Guereca, Secretary

Mike Baxter, Commission Chair