



## International Friendship Commission

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### MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Civic Center  
Building A  
Executive Conference Room 103A  
276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista 91910

**CALL TO ORDER: 6:12pm**

**ROLL CALL:** Chair Gallardo\_A\_; Commissioners; Akana\_P\_, Duran, \_P\_ Mares\_P\_, McCabe\_P\_, Molina\_A\_, Moore\_P\_, and Muraoka\_P\_.

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Naomi Davis

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONER DURAN'S ABSENCE FROM NOVEMBER 20TH, 2019.**

Staff recommendation: Commission excuse the absence.

2. **APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 20TH, 2019 MINUTES**

Staff recommendation: Commission approve the minutes.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Moore to approve staff's recommendations for the Consent Calendar Items 1 through 2. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mares and passed unanimously.

YES: Akana, Duran, Mares, McCabe, Moore, and Muraoka

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

See Action Item 5.

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#### ACTION ITEMS

3. **DISCUSSION OF THE TOKYO 2020 OLYMPICS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

Staff recommendation: Commission discuss and provide staff with direction.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Duran to comply with Odawara's decision to not hold the exchange program for 2020 due to the Tokyo Olympics. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore and passed unanimously.

YES: Akana, Duran, Mares, McCabe, Moore, and Muraoka

#### 4. DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Commission discussed possible fundraising ideas including flower arrangements and book signings.

#### 5. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES

##### A. Update on Partnership with Sister City: Odawara, Japan

##### 1. DISCUSSION ON SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE BOOKS TO ODAWARA JAPAN

Staff recommendation: Commission hear the update, discuss and provide staff with direction.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Duran to have Naomi Davis as an Ambassador for IFC when she visits Japan in April 2020. Naomi Davis will meet with Odawara International Friendship Association to reinforce our relationship. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore and passed unanimously.

**YES:** Akana, Duran, Mares, McCabe, Moore, and Muraoka

##### B. Update on Partnership with Sister City: Cebu, Philippines

Commission discussed relationship with new Mayor

##### C. Update on Partnership with Sister City: Irapuato, Mexico

Commission had no update.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

##### 6. STAFF COMMENTS

A. Update on Current IFC Budget Report

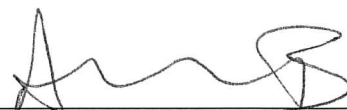
##### 7. CHAIR'S COMMENTS

There was none

##### 8. COMMISSIONERS'/BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

A. Update on Fundraiser T-Shirts from Vice Chair Muraoka

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:45pm to the next regular meeting on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6pm in the Conference Room, Chula Vista Public Library, 365 F Street, Chula Vista California.



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