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EDINBURG 2040 COMMITTEES HEALTH AND WELLNESS

CITY OF EDINBURG, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS

Location: City of Edinburg

City Hall

415 West University Dr. Edinburg, Texas 78541

JANUARY 22, 2024 REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.

People in Attendance:

- Sandra Yvette Alaniz, Committee Chair
- Belinda Torres, City Staff
- Laura Cerda, City Staff
- Lizette Gomez, City Staff
- Velva Sanchez, Committee Member
- Aurelio Aleman, City Staff
- Nick Villareal, City Staff
- Brandon Alaniz, City Staff
- Sylvia Verdooren, Committee Member
- Alexandra Reyna, Committee Member
- Yvonne Salinas, Committee Member
- Valentin Cerda, Committee Member

Departments in Attendance:

- Human Resources
- City Management
- World Birding Center
- Parks and Rec.

Agenda:

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. COORDINATOR'S REPORT

• Discussed the It's Time Texas Community Challenge.

III. ITS TIME TEXAS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

- Introduced the mobile app-based challenge running from Jan 8th to March 3rd.
- Described the app features for reporting healthy habits and meals.
- Shared a success story of participants losing a combined 150 lbs. in a previous challenge.
- Encouraged committee members to apply for the challenge.

IV. DISCUSS CHALLENGE RGV

- Emphasized the importance of reaching 300 participants for the Challenge RGV.
- Highlighted Brownsville's success in attracting 600 participants.
- Urged volunteers to attend the presentation and weigh-in event on Saturday at Edinburg Promenade Park.
- Discussed a gift card giveaway and future plans to raise more funds.
- Shared the success of having 250 people registered, seeking 15 more volunteers.
- Reached out to UTRGV School of Nursing, HOSA, and community members for volunteers.
- Volunteer responsibilities discussed.
- Invited attendees to promote the event, emphasizing the need for more volunteers.
- Noted the presence of employees at the fireman's training room during the training.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- Introduced Valentin Cerda from Behavioral Health Solutions, discussing mental health initiatives.
- Promoted a health expo on February 2nd and explored collaboration with the committee.
- Addressed pre-registration procedures and efforts to involve ECISD through public relations.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

• Scheduled the next meeting every three months unless a special meeting is required.

Action Items:

- 1. [CM Staff] Connect with Behavioral Health Solutions for potential collaboration.
- 2. [Edinburg 2040 Committee] Coordinate with nursing organizations for volunteer recruitment and event promotion.
- 3. [CM Staff and Edinburg 2040 Committee] Coordinate with ECISD to promote Challenge RGV.
- 4. [Edinburg 2040 Committee] Attend and promote the Challenge RGV event on Saturday.
- 5. [CM Staff] Present at Edinburg Rotary for additional sponsorship and support.
- 6. [Edinburg 2040 Committee] Apply for the It's Time Texas Community Challenge.
- 7. [Edinburg 2040 Committee] Share the Challenge RGV details on personal and professional networks.

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