

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CITY HALL EAST - 300 W. MAIN STREET, 2ND FLOOR ESD TRAINING ROOM

MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021 AT 6:30 PM

AGENDA

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Approval of Minutes from May 10, 2021
- 2. Review of Quarterly Report
- 3. COVID-19 Update
- 4. Smoking Ordinance Revisions

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ADJOURNMENT

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Gloria Colvin, Deputy City Secretary

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MEETING DATE: 08/16/2021

REQUESTER: Cindy Mendez, Environmental Quality Manager

PRESENTER: Patricia Shull, Chairperson

TITLE: Approval of Minutes from May 10, 2021

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve



PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES: May 10, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Olson Patricia Shull Dr. Ralph Wiegman Keith Fletcher Abraham Chukwu Dr. R.J. Di Lena Cassandra Roberson Brenda Tirado

STAFF:

Cindy Mendez, Environmental Quality Manager Werner Rodriguez, Senior Environmental Specialist Phuong Ybarra, Permit Coordinator

Guest:

None

- I. <u>Call to Order</u> The meeting was called to order by Dr. Wiegman at 6:40pm with a quorum present.
- II. <u>Review Minutes February 8, 2021</u> The last public health meeting was held February 8, 2021. Dr. Ralph Wiegman accepted the minutes and Paul Olson seconded them. All were in favor.
- III. Review of Quarterly Reports The 2nd Quarter Report was reviewed by the committee and staff.
- IV. <u>COVID-19 Update</u> The US has 4% of the world's population but 21% of the cases. Scientists are still struggling to understand why the US and other western countries have such high rates of infection. Texas is #29 that meets positivity recommendations of <5% with a 4.93% positivity rate. India recorded 414,188 cases in a single day, a new global high. Texas was the 1st state to reach 1 million vaccinations. The FDA will likely authorize the Pfizer for teenagers between 12 and 15 years old in the coming days. Abraham Chukwu said approval was just granted. The new covid variant in India is called B.1.617 and is also spreading in India. The Moderna and Pfizer vaccines require 2 doses to achieve the fullest protection.
- V. <u>Cattle Egrets Nuisance Update</u> Cattle Egret causes the most problem and are loud. Their area has ground covered in bird droppings and disgusting smell. Results from a recent survey in 2021 indicated 18 houses with Egrets in Grand Prairie. Once the season is over, nests are removed and tree branches trimmed so they do not come back.
- VI. <u>Get Fit GP Update/Earth Day</u> This is the 8th year for Get Fit in Grand Prairie. February is American Heart Month. March is Nutrition Month. April is Get Outside Month and also the 51st Anniversary of Earth Day which will include a Tree Giveaway. May is Mental Health Month and will include

Unwind Your Mind Speaker Series. June is Men's Health Month which will include a Family Fishing Day.

VII. <u>Guest Comments</u> – There were no guest comments.

<u>Adjournment</u> – With no other questions or comments, Pat Shull motioned to adjourn. The motion was passed with all present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26pm.



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