



## **PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

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**June 11, 2025**

**CITY 3 BASEMENT - THORMAN CONFERENCE ROOM - 801 TEXAS AVENUE  
4:00 PM**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will be conducted on the above date and time.

In compliance with the requirement that the City provide two-way communication for members of the public, members of the public may communicate with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board during public comment, and regarding agenda items by calling the following number:

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**A quorum of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board members must be present and participate in the meeting.**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**This time is reserved for members of the public who would like to speak on items not on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board agenda.**

### **AGENDA**

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of May 14th, 2025 - Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair [BC-570](#)
2. **Discussion & Action:** On adoption of staff recommendation to suspend [BC-746](#)

Theresa Valdez for three (3) months for violation of the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department's Behavior Management Policy. - Grievance Subcommittee Member

3. **Discussion & Action:** On adoption of staff recommendation to suspend Maria Elena Sarmiento for three (3) months for violation of the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department's Behavior Management Policy. - Grievance Subcommittee Member

[BC-747](#)

4. **Presentation & Discussion:** On Upcoming Parks and Recreation Summer Programming - Raul Diaz, Media Specialist

[BC-748](#)

### **ADJOURN**

### **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

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Posted this 5th day of June 2025 by Alondra Navarrete, Office Manager.



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**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
LEGISTAR AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM**

**AGENDA LANGUAGE:**

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Approval of Minutes: Of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - Marcella Carrillo,  
Board Chair



## **PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**

**WEDNESDAY, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, AT 4:00 P.M.**

**Virtual Meeting through Teams**

### **Minutes**

#### *Members Present: (5)*

District 1 – Sandra Olivar  
District 4 – Benjamin Avalos  
District 5 – Luis Terrazas  
District 7 – Marcella Carrillo (Chair)  
District 8 – Ricardo Bustamante

#### *Members Absent: (4)*

Mayor – Deborah Zuloaga  
District 2 – Anna Alemán (Vice-Chair)  
District 3 – Michael Adjemian  
District 6 – Timothy Haddox

#### *City Staff Present*

Pablo Caballero, Director  
Emigdio Gonzalez, Assistant Director  
Alondra Navarrete, Office Manager  
Jazmine Pullom, Customer Relations Rep.  
Raul Diaz, Media Specialist  
Susana Arroyo, Rec. & Sports Coordinator  
Richard Bristol, Deputy City Manager

#### *City Attorney – Legal*

Jesus Quintanilla, Assistant City Attorney

- **Call to Order**

Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:08 P.M.

Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair, did a roll call.

- **Public Comment (for items not on the agenda):**

No members of the public were present to discuss items not on the agenda

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair

Marcella Carrillo, Board Chair, asked the Board to review the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, minutes and approve them.

*Motion by Richard Bustamante to accept the April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board minutes as written, seconded by Luis Terrazas.*

*AYES: Sandra Olivar, Ben Avalos, Luis Terrazas, Marcella Carrillo, Ricardo Bustamante*

*NAYS:*

*ABSENT: Deborah Zuloaga, Anna Alemán, Michael Adjemian, Timothy Haddox*

*Motion passes.*

2. **Presentation & Discussion:** On Club Rec Summer Camp – Susana Arroyo, Recreation & Sports Coordinator

Susana Arroyo, Recreation and Sports Coordinator, addressed the Board with a PowerPoint presentation to give the Board information on the Department's upcoming Club Rec Summer Camp, which will be held at recreation centers city-wide to engage the community's youth.

Board members had questions and comments that were answered and considered by Ms. Arroyo.

3. **Presentation & Discussion:** On Live Active EP Summer Programs – Diana Cepeda, Strategic Initiatives Manager

In the absence of Diana Cepeda, Strategic Initiatives Manager, Raul Diaz, Media Specialist, addressed the Board alongside a PowerPoint presentation to share Live Active programming that's been held in the past fiscal year, and present the program's upcoming summer events.

Board members had questions and comments that were answered and considered by Mr. Diaz.

- **Adjournment:** 4:39 p.m.



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Discussion & Action: On adoption of staff recommendation to suspend Theresa Valdez for three (3) months for violation of the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department's Behavior Management Policy. - Grievance Subcommittee Member



**PARKS & RECREATION**  
CITY OF EL PASO

City of El Paso  
Parks and Recreation Department

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION**

Today's Date: Abril 29, 2025

Sport/Facility/Program: Wellington Chew Senior Center

Location: 4430 Maxwell Ave.

This letter constitutes written notice that --Theresa Valdez-- has  
(Name)  
been suspended for ----- 3 months ----- for  
(Time Period)

violation of the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department's Behavior Management Policy for the following action: Verbally abuse a game official (umpire, referee, instructor, or site supervisor), City of El Paso employee, another player, spectator or program participant with intent to cause harm.

Appeals of this suspension must be made in writing to the Manager noted below. Appeals must be made within 3 business days of receiving the notice of suspension and should include the following documents:

1. Statement explaining the basis for the appeal.
2. Statements from witnesses.
3. Police Report number (if applicable).
4. Any personal electronic documentation of the incident that is available.

This suspension is effective at 8:00AM on this 29th. day of April, 2025. The suspension prohibits the person above mentioned from being present at any City of El Paso Parks and Recreation events, facilities, and complexes during suspension including the appeal process.

Recreational Services Manager (Signature)

Print Name: Enrique Valadez

Office Phone: (915) 212-1731

E-Mail: ValadezEX@elpasotexas.gov

April 29, 2025<sup>8</sup>

My Name is Theresa Valdez  
I am letting Rebecca H. and Dico V.  
know that I am appealing my suspension.

Theresa Valdez  
4-29-2025



7-25-25

While I (Lucy H. M.) was in the concession area I observed Roberto asking Jose what he wanted. Jose said "put some music on" Robert did what was asked, Mexican music started playing. Theresa seemed to have been upset that Spanish music started playing she turned towards Robert and said "I'm tired of this Fing music see if you can find some American music" I (Lucy M.) started walking away from Concession area but still observed Theresa upset.

Lucy H. M.

4/24/2025

I, Maria Ecklund, would like to report an incident that I witnessed today here at Wellington Chew. A young lady with a disability was sitting at the first far East table near the stage. Her mother and grandmother (a member of W.C.) were mingling with other members when Theresa Valdez approached her and said, "Are you all going to stay because this is where I sit." At that point the young lady gathered her things and moved to another table and Theresa proceeded to sit there. I approached this lady and I asked her, "Did she tell you to move?", to which she replied, "No, that's okay."

So my understanding members here at Wellington Chew do not have assigned seats, nor do we pay to have reserved seating. Since and time again, it has been announced



that we (members) are not to  
move persons or personal  
things from any table. All  
persons and their things  
should be respected!

I plea that this action be  
taken care of.

Thank you,  
Maria Ecklund

While El Roberto (Kenny) was in

1:00 pm

2.25.25

the concourse area. Joe and Dana Barra  
 called me play some Mexican music  
 while waiting for Bingo to start. El  
 went ahead and started to play some  
 music. Shortly after the music started  
 to play Lenea Valdez was obviously  
 bothered by the music choice and  
 made a rude comment saying

"I don't want to listen to ~~fixing~~"

Mexican music. She mumbled it

under her breath but I could clearly  
 hear what she said. She said if

we could find some American music  
 to play instead. I told her I was

doing what they instructed me to do.  
~~was~~ giving little manual. They want

the first time she has been rude  
 towards me. I feel she has

a personal problem with me.  
 She makes it seem like we

need to listen to what she wants  
 up to do and clearly get upset

and we don't listen to her. *[Signature]*

Turned  
In June 17, 24

June 03, 24

On above Date ~~approximate~~  
Approximately @ 11:03 A.M.

I Celia E. Allen Approached  
Mr. Robert McGee, a member  
Here @ the Wellington  
Chew Senior Center.  
And, asked him if was  
Attending the Father's Day  
Celebration. His Housekeeper  
Blocked Both my Friend  
And, I. ~~she~~ ~~stated~~ Theresa Valdez  
She stated I can't look at  
him. Nevertheless speak to  
him. Theresa Valdez claimed  
he belong to her. Mr. McGee.  
prior to that incident.

About 2 months ago, she  
Bud in line as usual. Except  
for this particular incident.  
After obtaining her meal  
ticket, she went around  
the line + shubber her  
walker onto me 4 times  
did not say excuse me!  
Now and then she looks  
for me to harass me.  
I don't Retaliate!

Turned  
In 6-17-24

6-03-24

I have stated the truth  
And, nothing but, the truth  
So help me God!

If you have any Further  
Questions. Please feel to  
call me @ # 915-861-2766

Ms. Celia E. Allen

Celia E. Allen



Turned  
IN.  
6-17-24

6-03-24

Incident Report  
Time 11:03 A.M.

Witness: Josefina Hidalgo

To whom it may concern:

My Friend Celia E. Allen  
Approached a Friend named  
Mr. Robert Mc Gee to ask  
him if was attending  
The Father's Day Celebration.  
His Housekeeper, Name  
Theresa Valdez blocked us  
And in a most loud voice  
said: Celia Allen should  
NOT look at him nevertheless  
- less talk to him as she  
claimed. Mr Mc Gee belonged  
To her!!! She stated "It is Mine".

Name of the offender  
Theresa Valdez.

She is the Housekeeper  
of Mr. Mc Gee.



**City of El Paso**  
**Parks and Recreation Department**  
**Injury/Incident Report**  
**(NON-EMPLOYEE)**



**PARKS & RECREATION**  
 CITY OF EL PASO

Complete this report immediately following any injury/incident and notify the immediate supervisor.  
 Reports are due to the Parks and Recreation Administrative Office within 2 business days.

Incident Date:	4/24/2025	Incident Time:	9:40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AM	<input type="checkbox"/>	PM
Incident Location:	Wellington Chew Senior Center						
Person(s) involved:	Theresa Valdez / Loteria ladies						
Parent's Name (if minor):	n/a						
Street Address:	4430 Maxwell Ave						
City:	El Paso	State:	TX	Zip Code:	79904	Phone:	915-212-0423

Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Behavioral			
Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
<p>After lunch, Estela Mesa, went to my office to ask if they were not allowed to play at the table they usually play at. I told her they are allowed just as long they don't move other participants items or take their seat without asking them. She said she knew that but when they were going to sit down and play loteria again, Theresa Valdez was rude with them and told them they can not sit there, they have to move somewhere else. The ladies said no they can sit there and Theresa told them again they were not allowed. They moved all their belongings to another table to play. Estela was upset because she said she should not be telling them anything, I told her she is right and we will address it. I told her if that happens again to come get either Rebecca or myself so we can address the situation when it happens or she can tell Theresa to go tell staff instead approaching them.</p>			
Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Informed Rebecca Freeman-Hendericks			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to: _____
Police Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PD Case No.: _____
Witnesses		Check One	
Name	Staff	Other	Title (if applicable)
Roberto Limas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report			
Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Ruby M. Ybarra	Rec Specialist	<i>Ruby M. Ybarra</i>	4/24/2025
Reviewed			
Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	NICOLAS VALDEZ	<i>Nicolas Valdez</i>	4-14-25
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez	<i>Enrique Valadez</i>	4/24/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Caballero	<i>Pablo Caballero</i>	4/29/25





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Incident Date:	2/25/2025	Incident Time:	1:00		AM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PM
Incident Location:	Wellington Chew Senior Center						
Person(s) involved:	Roberto Limas (volunteer) and Theresa Valadez						
Parent's Name (if minor):							
Street Address:	4430 Maxwell St						
City:	El Paso	State:	TX	Zip Code:	79904	Phone:	212-2245

Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Verbal altercation			
Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Lucy Martinez (Hernandez) and Robert Limas entered my offic right before Bingo started. Lucy was incredibly upset and shaking. Robert explained that Jose Espinoza asked him to turn the music back on after making his announcement concerning Bingo. Robert then explained that he turned on the music and a new playlist started that was Spanish music- specifically Mexican music. Lucy and Robert both explained to me that Theresa was upset by the music and made a loud comment about "fing Mesican music" and said that she wanted to hear oldies like Elvis. Both felt that she had made another comment about Robert's ethnicity but were not able to understand what exactly was said. Robert has been assisting at the concessions with heavy lifting quite often as Miss Lucy has torn her rotator cuff and Lucy and Robert said that this isn't the first time that Theresa has made comments about Robert's ethnicity.			
Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
I have chosen not to speak to Theresa as I find that she has a volatile temper and called Nico Valdes to apprise him of the situation.			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to _____
Police Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PD Case No. _____
Witnesses		Check One	
Name	Staff	Other	Title (if applicable)
Lucy Martinez		x	AB volunteer and WC member
Robert Limas		x	Community Service Volunteer
Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report			
Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Rebecca Freeman-Hendricks	Program Supervisor		2/25/2025
Reviewed			
Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	Nicolas Valdes		2-25-25
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez		2/25/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Caballero		2/25/25



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**Parks and Recreation Department**  
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 CITY OF EL PASO

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Incident Date:	3/20/2025	Incident Time:	1:00		AM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x	PM
Incident Location:	Wellington Chew Senior Center						
Person(s) Involved:	Teresa Valdez/ Robert Limas						
Parent's Name (If minor):	n/a						
Street Address:	4430 Maxwell Ave						
City:	El Paso	State:	TX	Zip Code:	79904	Phone:	915-212-0423

**Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)**

Behavioral

**Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)**

Volunteer, Roberto Limas, brought it up to my attention how Teresa Valdez made him feel really uncomfortable and a little harassed by her. Roberto was eating his lunch at the county nutrition table when he was approached by Teresa. She went up to him and said you are still here? He said yes. She went on to ask why he was here if he already finished his hours and everyone left. Roberto said he likes to volunteer and does not mind helping out. She told Roberto there is enough volunteers so why does he stay. His response was, out of respect if you have any questions please see Rebecca or Ruby. She ignored him and continued to question why he is here. She commented he already finished his 300 hundred hours so he doesn't need to be here, there is enough volunteers. He repeated himself and she continued to question him. She wanted to know if he was state mandated or local mandated to do hours, what is his position here and why is he still here? Roberto commented again, with all due respect if you have any questions please ask Rebecca or Ruby. Roberto talked to me about the

**Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)** *Continued on pg #2 →*

EMS Called? Yes ☐ No ☒ Transported to: \_\_\_\_\_

Police Called? Yes ☐ No ☒ PD Case No : \_\_\_\_\_

**Witnesses**

**Check One**

Name	Staff	Other	Title (if applicable)
Robert Limas		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Volunteer

**Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report**

Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Ruby M. Ybarra	Rec Specialist	<i>Ruby M. Ybarra</i>	3/20/2025

**Reviewed**

Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	Rebecca Hernandez	<i>Rebecca Hernandez</i>	3/20/2025
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez	<i>Enrique Valadez</i>	3/20/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
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**Type of Injury/Incident** (Continued from first page)**Describe What Happened** (Continued from first page)

situation and had a concern how she knew how many hours needed. I assured him it did not come from us, he said he knew that but was wondering why she was questioning him so much. I asked him if he would like for me to talk to her and ask if she has any questions or concerns for us and he said no but if it happens again he will tell us right away and we could talk to her. I did tell him if she did it again and makes him uncomfortable to please let us know right away so we can address any questions or concerns she might have.

**Action Taken** (Continued from first page)



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Parks and Recreation Department  
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PARKS & RECREATION  
CITY OF EL PASO

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Person(s) Involved:	Theresa Valdez / Cynthia (Terry Jedderly's granddaughter)						
Parent's Name (if minor):	n/a						
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<p>I walked into the main hall to check on things when I was approached by Maria Ecklund and Roberto Limas to inform me that Theresa Valdez had approached Terry Jedderly's granddaughter, Cynthia, about the spot she was sitting at. She kept asking her if she was going to stay because that was her seat so Cynthia moved. When I spoke to Cynthia, I asked her if someone had asked her to move from her chair? She said yes so, she moved. I told her she is more than welcome to sit where ever she pleases and next time someone tells her she needed to move to please send them to us. As we were speaking Terry Jedderly walked up to us and asked if we were doing good. I informed her of our conversation and her granddaughter is more than welcome to sit where ever she chooses, if they tell her anything again to please come get us. It is a first come first serve basis and her granddaughter sat there first. At this point Rebecca was walking towards us, I called her over and made her aware of the situation. Rebecca assured both of them she is always welcomed and free to sit where ever she chooses. They went</p>			
Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Informed Rebecca Freeman-Hendericks and she spoke to Terry and Cynthia			
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## Type of Injury/Incident (Continued from first page)

### Describe What Happened (Continued from first page)

back to the table we were sitting at and Cynthia sat in the same spot. Both Rebecca and I were at the concession stand talking to the AB members when we heard Theresa Valdez yell at Cynthia and said, you could have told me you were staying and got upset with her. When Cynthia tried to talk to her and put her hand on Theresa arm to say she was moving, Theresa yelled at her "Don't touch me" and mumbled some words to Cynthia and Terry Jedderly and took the chair across them.

### Action Taken (Continued from first page)



# Parks and Recreation Department

**MAYOR**  
Renard U. Johnson

## CITY COUNCIL

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**CITY MANAGER**  
Dionge Mack

**To:** Mrs. Teresa Valdez, Senior participant at Wellington Chew Senior Center  
**From:** Enrique Valadez, Recreation Programs Manager, El Paso Parks and Recreation Department  
**Date:** March 25, 2025  
**Subject:** Warning Letter  
**Mrs. Valdez:**

On February 25, 2025, at 1:00 pm, you were reported for using abusive language, profanity and possible discriminatory comments, based on ethnicity, towards volunteer Roberto Limas. The report states that you got upset because the music selected to be played on the Senior Center speakers was, in accordance to the report received and in your own words, "fucking mexican music". The reports states that you made also derogatory and discriminatory comments towards Mr. Limas ethnically.

On March 20, 2025, without any legal authority, you intended to obtain personal information, harassed and made feel uncomfortable to Mr. Roberto Limas, former Community Service and presently a volunteer. You asked him, in inquisitive and demanding manner, why he was still at the Senior Center, about his previous Community Service status, his hours, if it was mandated by the State or Local authorities, the reason for him to remain serving as volunteer at Wellington Chew Senior Center and other questions. In several occasions, Mr. Limas asked you to direct your concerns or doubts to the Center Director.

The Wellington Chew Senior Center serves Seniors from a wide variety of nationalities, ethnic origin and/or races. The music selection over the center's sound system is a decision from the City of El Paso staff assigned to supervise the Wellington Chew Senior Center and it is perfectly correct to use music that reflects the different cultures and ethnic origins from our participants. We promote respect to diversity, and it includes randomly playing music in other different languages and styles.

The use of profanity is not accepted at any time, moment or situation, and it is a serious violation of the City of El Paso Code of Conduct.

Demanding personal information and or harassing other participants is not approved and is a violation of the City of El Paso Code of Conduct and can lead to other serious legal consequences.

Our priority is to maintain our Senior Centers safe, clean, supervised and pleasant, creating programs and activities that promote an environment full of harmony

**Pablo Caballero – Director, Parks & Recreation Department**  
801 Texas Ave, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor | El Paso, TX 79901  
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# Parks and Recreation Department

and respect, improving the quality of life of our Seniors participants. You are welcome to enjoy our center, as well as any other participants. Please help us to maintain the Center environment pleasant for you and other.

This warning letter will serve as reference for any future situation and will be taken in consideration if any new deviation from the Code of Conduct occurs, resulting in disciplinary actions that may include temporary or permanent suspension.

Sincerely,

Enrique Valadez,  
Recreation Programs Manager.

Nicolas Valdes  
Recreation and Sports Coordinator

NOT TO CONTACT STAFF ON THEIR  
PERSONAL CELLPHONES.

- MAYOR Renard U. Johnson
- CITY COUNCIL
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- District 2 Dr. Josh Acevedo
- District 3 Deanna M. Rocha
- District 4 Cynthia Boyer Trejo
- District 5 Ivan Nino
- District 6 Art Fierro
- District 7 Lily Limon
- District 8 Chris Canales
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Parks and Recreation Department

**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION**

Today's Date: Abril 29, 2025

Sport/Facility/Program: Jessie Moreno Happiness Senior Center

Location: 563 N. Carolina Dr. El Paso, Tx. 79915

This letter constitutes written notice that -- Maria Elena Sarmiento -- has  
(Name)  
been suspended for ----- 3 months ----- for  
(Time Period)

violation of the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department's Behavior Management Policy for the following action: Verbally abuse a game official (umpire, referee, instructor, or site supervisor), City of El Paso employee, another player, spectator or program participant with intent to cause harm.

Appeals of this suspension must be made in writing to the Manager noted below. Appeals must be made within 3 business days of receiving the notice of suspension and should include the following documents:

1. Statement explaining the basis for the appeal.
2. Statements from witnesses.
3. Police Report number (if applicable).
4. Any personal electronic documentation of the incident that is available.

This suspension is effective at 8:00AM on this 29th. day of April, 2025. The suspension prohibits the person above mentioned from being present at any City of El Paso Parks and Recreation events, facilities, and complexes during suspension including the appeal process.

  
Recreational Services Manager (Signature)

Print Name: Enrique Valadez

Office Phone: (915) 212-1731

E-Mail: ValadezEX@elpasotexas.gov

Enrique Valadez

April 29, 2025

On March 5th, 2025, I, Mariaelena Sarmiento, was assisting in checking the bingo numbers alongside Mr. David Perez. I was double checking the bingo numbers while Mr. Perez, our volunteer treasurer, was calling out the bingo numbers. That day, there were two individuals that called out "bingo" one right after the other. Mr. Perez typically pulls the bingo balls and then shows the ball to the camera which, in turn, posts the bingo number on all four televisions.

This day, in question, the first bingo winner's numbers were correct and being verified just as the second bingo winner called out "bingo". Mr Perez was on the stage at this time and he claimed that he did not call out the number that the second bingo winner was claiming to have won, but the number was already being displayed on the televisions, which means that the number had already been shown to the congregation and also displayed for the camera by Mr. Perez. The official winner of the bingo game was the first winner and the spiraling of emotions came as a result of a complete misunderstanding with the second bingo winner.

I made mention to Mr. Perez that, "Once a number pops up on the screen it is already an "in-play" number", Mr. Perez got offended when I stated this to him. We continued to play the remaining games of bingo and at the end of the five bingo games, Mr. Perez openly threatened me by stating, "Don't EVER do that again", he remarked as he sat down at his seat.

Mr. Perez is not shy about putting his dirty laundry for people to see and after a couple of weeks, Mr. Perez openly stated, to me, while counting the money for a different event, "The least contact I have with you, the better for me".

The whole time I have been a member at the center, there has not been any run-ins of any sort with Mr. Perez or his wife, they have always been pleasant with me. It is unfortunate to be having to deal with this suspension when a BIG deal was made out of a small inconsistency caused by Mr. Perez's inability to call out a bingo number before showing the ball to the camera. These things, in question, could have been easily solved and put to rest with a friendly conversation instead of open threats and notices of suspension.

Mr. Perez is a volunteer, not a city employee, or official of any kind as the suspension letter openly claims. There was no intent to cause harm with any of the words used with Mr. Perez. The verbal abuse as stated in the suspension letter was said politely, and it was merely clearing up the misunderstanding for the bingo players, as is a responsibility of the President

This suspension is invalid and encroaching on my personal time and emotional well-being. I have been an active member of the Happiness Center for the last 8 years and have not had ANY issues of any kind with any of the members or the council.

Please consider this letter my statement for the accusation placed against me and kindly revoke the suspension for all other centers, as I will NOT be returning to the Happiness Center due to the disrespect and sheer difficulties that I have experienced as an elected volunteer President for the years 2024 - 2025.

Mariaelena Sarmiento

Mariaelena Sarmiento

**Valadez, Enrique**

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**From:** Neria, Mindy I  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 30, 2025 3:14 PM  
**To:** Valadez, Enrique  
**Cc:** Espinoza, Lluvia E.  
**Subject:** Confirmation of Formal Appeal from Ms. Sarmiento

Good afternoon Enrique,

As per your request, I contacted Ms. Sarmiento to confirm whether her letter constitutes a formal appeal. She confirmed that it is indeed a formal appeal and noted that the letter explicitly states, toward the end, that her suspension should be revoked. Please let me know if you need anything further.

Best regards,

*Mindy Neria*

Recreation Specialist  
Parks and Recreation | City of El Paso  
[neriami@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:neriami@elpasotexas.gov)



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Soy la Sra. Dolores Calderon para informarles que llego Marisela en compañía de la Srta. del Aliviane, invitandolas a participar en sus manualidades y firmar una hoja donde ella comprueva que estuvo con ellas.

Y estaba Yo y Ma. Elena Sarmiento y Marielena empezo a tacer a Marisela gritandole que a ella no la invitaron siendo que seles a todas en general.

Atte. Dolores Calderon

"I am Mrs. Dolores Calderon to inform you that Marisela arrived in the company of Ms. del Aliviane, inviting us to participate in her crafts and to sign a sheet where she proves that she was with them.

And I and Maria Elena Sarmiento were there and Maria Elena started attacking Marisela yelling at her that she was not invited when everyone was invited in general."

A Quien Corresponde

SOLO ME QUERO  
quejar de que el viernes  
17 de ENERO FUI a comprar  
Las Tarjetas del Gingo y  
MARIA ELENA ZAMIENTO ME  
dijo CUANTAS LLEVAS ME LE  
dije SON 9 CARTAS Y ME  
dijo NO TE BALIAS A ROBAR  
UNA, YO LE CONTESTE CUANDO  
TE HE ROBADO, PUES NO ES  
LA PRIMERA VES QUE SE PORTA  
ASI DE FEA, CONMIGO YO NO  
LE HE ECHO NADA HASTA VES  
QUE LE DIJE, NO ANDAS DICRIENDO  
QUE NO QUEDA NADA DE DINERO Y  
ME DIJO PUES NO ME HAS DICHO  
CUANTO QUEDA,

Aíntamente  
LUPITA T. GARCIA

**\*TRANSLATION\***

To whom it may concern:

I just want to complain that on Friday, January 17 I went to buy the bingo cards and Maria Elena Sarmiento said “how many cards are you taking”, I told her “it is 9 cards” and she said “don't steal one” and I answered “when did I steal one”. It is not the first time that she has been so mean to me; I have not done anything to her. The other time I told her, “Don't go around saying that there is no money left,” and she said, “You haven't told me how much money is left”.

Sincerely,  
Lupita T. Garcia

TO WHOM IT CONCERN

EN FEBRERO 13-2025 LA PRESIDENTA MARIA ELENA SARMIENTO Y MI PERSONA TUVIAMOS DIFERENCIAS POR UN PAGO NO AUTORIZADO POR EL CONCILIO. ME AMENAZO DE QUE HABIA PUESTO UNA QUEJA CONTRA MI PERSONA.

DESPUES DE ESTE INCIDENTE MIEMBROS DEL CENTRO ME QUESTIONARON. LA SEÑORA PRESIDENTA ME PUSO EN CONFLICTO MAL VISTO POR LA COMUNIDAD DEL CENTRO.

EN LAS ACTIVIDADES DEL CENTRO HAPPINESS LA SRA PRESIDENTA DEJO DE HACER E RESPONSABLE DE SU CARGO ARGUMENTANDO QUE ELLA ES UNICAMENTE VOLUNTARIA. DEJANDONOS LA RESPONSABILIDAD A LA VICEPRESIDENTA, ELBA Y A MI PERSONA DAVID PEREZ (TESORERO) TENIENDO QUE CUMPLIR CON TODAS LAS ACTIVIDADES QUE CONCERNEN AL CENTRO HAPPINESS.

EN MI OPINION PERSONAL ELLA HA DEJADO DE RESPONSABILIZARSE COMO PRESIDENTA Y NOS ESTA AFECTANDO EN TODOS LOS PLANES Y PROYECTOS PARA QUE EL CENTRO COMUNITARIO CRESCA COMO DEBE DE SER Y CUMPLIR CON LAS EXPECTATIVAS QUE SE REQUIEREN PARA EL CENTRO HAPPINESS.

J. DAVID PEREZ

*David Perez*

**\*TRANSLATION\***

To whom it may concern:

On February 13 2025, President Maria Elena Sarmiento and myself had differences over a payment not authorized by the council. She threatened me that she had filed a complaint against me.

After this incident, members of the center questioned me. The president put me in conflict with the community of the center.

In the activities of the Happiness Center, Mrs. President stopped taking responsibility for her position, arguing that she is only a volunteer. Leaving the responsibility to the vice-president Elba and myself David Perez (treasurer), having to fulfill all the activities concerning the Happiness center.

In my personal opinion she has stopped taking responsibility as president and is affecting us in all plans and projects for the community center to grow as it should be and meet the expectations that are required for the Happiness center.



TO: WHOM IT CONCERN:

EN FEBRERO 27 A LA HORA DE ESTAR MI PERSONA DANDO EL JUEGO DEL BINGO HUBO UNA CONFUSION ENTRE LOS PARTICIPANTES Y LA SRA PRESIDENTA MARIA ELENA SARMIENTO LA CUAL CAUSO UN PROBLEMA EN EL CUAL ME QUESTIONO SOBRE LOS NUMEROS DEL BINGO FRENTE A TODOS LOS MIEMBROS DEL CENTRO COMUNITARIO EN UNA FORMA IRRESPECTUOSA Y CON VOZ ALTA.

FALTAN DOLE A ELA EL CRITERIO Y LA MADUREZA PARA SUVENTAR EL INCIDENTE DE UNA FORMA PACIFICA EN LUGAR DE ALTERAR EL ORDEN CON LA COMUNIDAD.

AL SR ALFREDO PEREZ LE PASO EL OTRO INCIDENTE CON LA MISMA PERSONA LA SRA SARMIENTO (PRESIDENTA) PERO DE DIFERENTE MANERA LA CUAL EL SR PEREZ LA CONFRONTO DESPUES QUE SE ACABO EL JUEGO DEL BINGO ESTE INCIDENTE PASO EL DIA 19 DE FEB. 2015

ESPERO LE PONGAN ATENCION A ESTE DOCUMENTO (REPORTE) PARA TERMINAR CON ESTAS DIFERENCIAS.

ATTN

Rafael David Pérez  
TESORERO

Alfredo Pérez  
VOLUNTARIO

**\*TRANSLATION\***

To whom it may concern:

On February 27, at the time of the bingo game, there was confusion between the participants and the president, Maria Elena Sarmiento, who caused a problem in which she questioned me about the bingo numbers in front of all the members of the community center in a loud and disrespectful manner.

She lacked the judgment and the way to resolve the incident in a peaceful manner, instead of disrupting the order in the community.

Mr. Alfredo Perez had the same incident with the same person, Ms. Sarmiento (President). Still, in a different manner, Mr. Perez confronted her after the bingo game was over, and this incident happened on Feb. 19, 2025.

I hope you will pay attention to this document (report) to put an end to these differences.

Sincerely, Jose David Perez

A quien Corresponde: Incident date  
04/01/25

yo Josefina Pérez estoy reportando a la  
Sra Maria Elena S. (Presidenta) del Comité por  
su mala actitud e irrespetuosa Persona  
por la razón que me hizo sentir mal en  
frente de otras personas calificando a mi

) En el caso como una persona chismosa  
haciendome sentir mal por la forma en  
que se estaba expresando delante de toda  
la gente sin ningún respeto.

Espero que le pongan atención a este  
reporte y corrijan la actitud de la Sra Presidenta

A.S.A.P

Gracias Josefina Pérez

**\*TRANSLATION\***

To whom it may concern:

I, Josefina Perez, am reporting Mrs. Maria Elena S. (president) of the council for her bad attitude and her disrespectful attitude for the reason that she made me feel bad in front of other people qualifying my husband as a gossip person making me feel bad for the way she was expressing herself in front of all the people without any respect.

I hope you will pay attention to this report and correct the attitude of the president, ASAP.

Thank you,  
Josefina Perez

A QUIEN CORRESPONDA  
 YO MARISELA MUÑOZ  
 TRASE A ATENCION VARIAS VESES  
 DE QUE MARIELNA SARMINETO  
 ME PROBOCA, POR UN PROBLEMA  
 QUE ELLA PIENSA QUE ELLA PIENSA  
 ME A DICHO QUE YO ME CREO LA  
 DUEÑA DEL CENTRO,  
 NO MAS TIENE OPORTUNIDAD  
 ME PROBOCA, YO EN NINGUNA  
 VES LE E CONTESTADO  
 PERO YA BASTA.  
 NECESITO POR FAVOR QUE  
 USTED AGA ALGO POR FAVOR  
 NO QUIERO TOMAR OTROS PASOS

Marisel Muñoz  
 MARISELA MUÑOZ

**\*TRANSLATION\***

To whom it may concern:

I, Marisela Muñoz, brought to your attention several times that Maria Elena Sarmineto provokes me, because of a problem that she thinks that she has told me that I thought I was the owner of the center. I have not answered her in any way, but enough is enough. I need you to do something, please.

Marisela Muñoz

Por medio de la Presente, quiero comunicar que la semana del día 27 de marzo, se suscito un problema cuando se estaba jugando al Bingo, con la Sra. Ma. Elena Sarmento provocando un problema con el Sr. David Perez.

El Sr. David da el Bingo y la Sra. Sarmento recibe y se puso muy grosera, empezo a gritar por el microfono y el Sr. David se sintio incomodo por la forma en que estaba gritando la Sra. y quiero aclarar que no es la primera vez, ya avia pasado en otras ocasiones con el Sr. Alfredo Perez.

MARISELA MUNOZ  
Marisa M -

**\*TRANSLATION\***

By means of this letter I would like to communicate that the week of March 27th, a problem arose while playing bingo with Mrs. Maria Elena Sarmineto, causing a problem with Mr. David Perez.

Mr. David gave the bingo, and Mrs. Sarmineto received it and became very rude, she began to shout through the microphone and Mr. David felt uncomfortable because of the way she was shouting and I want to clarify that this is not the first time, it had already happened on other occasions with Mr. Alfredo Perez.

Marisela Munoz

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally file a complaint against Marielena Sarmiento, the President of the Happiness Center, regarding ongoing mistreatment, exclusion, and harassment I have experienced under her leadership. This situation has been persistent and has escalated to a level that I can no longer tolerate.

For some time now, Ms. Sarmiento has deliberately prevented me from participating in community work at the Happiness Center, despite my genuine desire to contribute and support the well-being of our community. Her actions have gone beyond mere oversight or misunderstanding; she has actively excluded me from opportunities to be involved. This targeted behavior has left me feeling humiliated, marginalized, and discouraged from engaging in the center's initiatives.

Ms. Sarmiento has repeatedly made it difficult for me to engage with the community, often ignoring my attempts to volunteer, dismissing my contributions, and creating an unwelcoming environment. Her behavior has reached a point where I feel harassed and unfairly treated, which is not only disheartening but also contradicts the very mission of the Happiness Center—to foster inclusivity, support, and communal well-being.

I am bringing this complaint forward in the hopes that immediate action will be taken to address this matter. No individual should be subjected to exclusion or mistreatment, especially in a space meant to uplift and bring people together.

Sincerely,

Marisela Muñoz



On April 4, 2025, while overseeing the counting of the end-of-day funds for the concession stand, Maria Elena inquired about who would be signing the bottom of the paperwork. I informed her that, as is customary when dealing with money, the treasurer would typically be responsible for signing. At that point, Maria Elena questioned why the treasurer, who was not involved in the counting process today, should be the one to sign. I then explained that, for today, Elva could sign in place of David, as he was unavailable. Maria Elena appeared dissatisfied with this decision, expressing frustration that I would have Elva sign instead of her, stating, "I am the president." I acknowledged her role as president and explained that my decision was based on consistency, as I had observed that David and Elva had been responsible for counting the money during my time here, and I wanted to maintain that continuity.

Maria Elena then attempted to pass over the paperwork she was completing, stating that if she could not sign, she would not proceed with the task. Elva and I reassured her that she could continue filling out the forms, as we were all present and working together. Once the counting was done it appeared that Maria Elena sought to question my familiarity with the role, as she asked, in a condescending tone, how long I had been employed here. I responded courteously, informing her that I had been an employee of the city for seven years. Following my response, her tone shifted, and she attempted to deflect by remarking, "Oh, you look so young." To change the subject I informed both Elva and Maria Elena that this process could be revisited and adjusted in a meeting, where we could ensure everyone was aligned on the procedures.

Later, as I was entering the daily sales for the week, Maria Elena approached me proceeding to walk behind the desk and behind me. She expressed that she did not appreciate being excluded from signing and reiterated her dissatisfaction. I again explained that my decision was based on maintaining consistency with the individuals who had previously been involved in counting the money. Not fully satisfied with this explanation, Maria Elena then alluded to rumors circulating about her, saying, "I don't know what you have heard about me, but there are a lot of rumors going around." I reassured her that I had heard nothing and that any rumors had no bearing on my decision. I further suggested that if she was hearing such things or had any concerns, it would be best to address them directly with either Luvia or myself to prevent any misunderstandings.

Maria Elena also mentioned that I should speak with David to see why he was not involved in the counting process. I responded that I would speak with both David and her, but that I preferred to do so with the presence of my supervisor to ensure clarity and avoid any potential miscommunications. She then returned to discussing the rumors surrounding her, to at which point I reminded her that Luvia and I had planned to meet with the advisory council to discuss how we could work together more effectively as a team moving forward.

Mindy Neria





3-26-25

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A Quien Conesponda  
Voy a ser un reponte de lo que paso ayer  
me senti muy incomoda por que  
Maricelma la presidenta me dijo que  
por que dejaba que Maricela levantara  
las pironas para la comida que eso le  
tenia que aser ya pero ya en ese momento  
estaba ayudando en la cocina y ya le  
dije a la presidenta que a mi no me  
molestaba que Maricela lo hiciera y tambien  
Maricela me dijo que ay gente que le  
dices que ya no ago nada que nomas estoy  
sentada yo digo que si no les gusta que  
ya sea la reyna para que votaron por mi  
la gente no mira lo que ya ago ando en los  
bailes promocionando los bailes de aqui ayudo  
en la cocina arregla las mesas cuando va a ver  
baile y ademas la presidenta nomas me esta  
diciendo que ago algo aqui en el comedor que  
no deje que Maricela ago lo que a mi me toca  
me siento muy mal que la gente este  
hablando de mi @ he pensado en salirme de  
reyna para que ya no me estén diciendo

**\*TRANSLATION\***

To whom it may concern:

I am going to make a report of what happened yesterday. I felt very uncomfortable because Maria Elena, the president, told me that why did I let Marisela collect the signatures for the food that I have to do but I was helping in the kitchen and I told the president that it did not bother me that Marisela did it and also Marisela told me that there are people who tell her that I don't do anything because I am just sitting around. I say that if they don't like that I am the king, why did they vote for me? people don't look at what I do, I go to the dances promoting the dances here, I help in the kitchen, I fix the tables when there is going to be a dance and besides the president is just telling me to do something here in the dining room and not let Marisela do what I have to do. I feel very bad that people are talking about me. I have been thinking of resigning as queen so that she will no longer be telling me things.



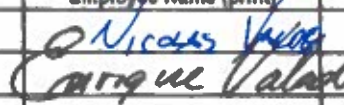


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**PARKS & RECREATION**  
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**Complete this report immediately following any injury/incident and notify the immediate supervisor. Reports are due to the Parks and Recreation Administrative Office within 2 business days.**

Incident Date:		2/10/2025			Incident Time:		10:40	X	AM		PM
Incident Location:		Happiness Senior Center									
Person(s) Involved:		MariaElena Sarmiento, David Perez									
Parent's Name (if minor):											
Street Address:		563 N. Carolina									
City:	El Paso	State:	Texas	Zip Code:	79915	Phone:	9152120435				

Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Complaint			
Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
Maria Elena came in to office as she had an issue with David Perez treasure. She explained that she purchased brisket the day of our potluck Monday 2/3/25. She stated that she was trying to get reimbursed cause of the purchase and David told her they made decision they could not pay her as she made the decision on her own and did not get it approved by Advisory Board. She also made the complaint that he was not doing his job and always late.			
Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)			
wrote an incident report			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to _____
Police Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PD Case No. _____
Witnesses		Check One	
Name	Staff	Other	Title (if applicable)
Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report			
Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Angel Juarez	Recreation Program Supervisor		2/10/2025
Reviewed			
Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	Nicolas Valdez		2/10/25
Division Manager	Carrique Valdez		02/10/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Caballero		02/11/25

Type of Injury/Incident (Continued from first page)
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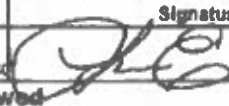



Incident Date:	3/27/2025	Incident Time:	10:48	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AM	<input type="checkbox"/>	PM
Incident Location:	Main Area/Multi purpose room						
Person(s) Involved:	Maria Elena Sarmiento, David Perez						
Parent's Name (if minor):							
Street Address:	563 N Carolina						
City:	El Paso	State:	Tx	Zip Code:	79915	Phone:	915-212-0435

<b>Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
(fall)			
<b>Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
<p>During the game of BINGO, a verbal argument broke out between the Maria Elena and David over the way the numbers were being called. A participant called out BINGO before David had announced the number, after it had been displayed on the TV. David declared the win invalid, stating that the number hadn't been called yet. Maria Elena then raised her voice, asking, "Who's calling the numbers, you or the TV?" David responded, emphasizing that while the numbers were shown on the screen, they weren't valid until he officially called them out. Maria Elena disagreed and insisted on continuing the argument over the microphone, claiming it was a legitimate win. This caused a brief disruption in the game. I intervened and asked them to proceed with the game, which resumed without any further issues.</p>			
<b>Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
EMS Called?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Transported to:			
Police Called?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PD Case No.:			
<b>Witnesses</b>		<b>Check One</b>	
Name		Staff	Other
David Perez			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maria Elena Sarmiento			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		<b>Title (if applicable)</b>	
		Advisory Board Treasurer Participant	
		Advisory Board President Participant	
<b>Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report</b>			
Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Mindy Neria	Rec Specialist	<i>Mindy Neria</i>	3.28.25
<b>Reviewed</b>			
Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	Lluvia Espinoza	<i>[Signature]</i>	3/28/25
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez	<i>[Signature]</i>	3/28/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Ceballero	<i>[Signature]</i>	3/28/25

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Incident Location:	Happiness senior center						
Person(s) Involved:	Marisela Muñoz/ Maria Elena Sarmiento						
Parent's Name (if minor):							
Street Address:	563 N Carolina						
City:	El Paso	State:	TX	Zip Code:	79915	Phone:	915-212-0435

<b>Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
verbal disagreement			
<b>Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
On Thursday March 13, Marisela Muñoz approached Angel Juarez to speak with him about an incident. Ms. Muñoz made Angel Juarez aware of a situation that had just happened in between Ms. Maria Elena Sarmiento (president of the advisory board) and herself. Ms. Marisela stated that when she arrived this morning she brought some items for the advisory board and Mr. David Perez (treasure of board) told her was fine to take them to the back storage and since she was going to the storage if was possible for her to bring a package of cups for the coffee and to take the key, to which she said agreed. On her way back to give the cups, Ms. Mansela stated that Ms. Maria Elena questioned her on why was she in the back getting stuff. Ms. Maria Elena told her that she has no right to be going there only the council and that she could even steal a coke. Ms. Marisela stated that she felt upset to the fact that Ms. Maria Elena is accusing her of going to the back to steal and she discriminates her because other people and volunteers go to the storage to help and she can't. When Ms. Maria Elena realized that Ms. Marisela was in the			
<b>Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
Informed Supervisor Enrique Valadez			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to: _____
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Incident Date:	4/22/2025	Incident Time:	9:30AM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AM	<input type="checkbox"/>	PM
Incident Location:	Happiness senior center						
Person(s) Involved:	Marisela Muñoz/ Maria Elena Sarmiento						
Parent's Name (if minor):							
Street Address:	563 N Carolina						
City:	El Paso	State:	TX	Zip Code:	79915	Phone:	915-212-0435

<b>Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
verbal disagreement			
<b>Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
On Tuesday April 22, 2025, Ms. Marisela Sarmiento came up to Mindy Neria and myself stating that she went to the storage to get a bag that Ms. Eiva asked for and she asked for permission to use the key. I told her was fine to get it. After getting the bag, Ms. Marisela came up to me stating that Ms. Maria Elena had followed her and questioned her in a rude manner asking what she was doing there and starting telling her stuff. I decided to called both into the office to talk about the situation among the two. Ms. Maria Elena stated that Marisela was being rude, that she asked a question to Marisela and she ignored her, and that she tends to lie about things and then she comes and say what is convenient for her since she is one of the favorites. Ms. Maria Elena told Ms. Marisela in front of Mindy and myself that she can't believe that she is such a liar when she calls herself a christian. Immediately after she started making those remarks, Mindy and myself stopped her and told her that we were not here to discuss religion, that is something everyone has the freedom to decide.			
<b>Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
Informed Supervisor Nicolas Valdez			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to _____
Police Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PD Case No. _____
<b>Witnesses</b>		<b>Check One</b>	
Name	Staff	Other	Title (if applicable)
Mindy Neria	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation Specialist
<b>Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report</b>			
Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Luvia Espinoza	Recreation Program supervisor		4/22/2025
<b>Reviewed</b>			
Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor/Coordinator	Nicolas Valdez		4/22/25
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez		4/22/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Caballero		4/22/25

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**Type of Injury/Incident** (Continued from first page)**Describe What Happened** (Continued from first page)

I proceed to remind Ms. Maria Elena what was mentioned during the advisory board on Thursday April 24, which I mentioned that there is no favoritism on any one that everyone is the same, no one more or no one less. As well I stated that as mentioned before, that on the center must maintain a harmonius environment weather you all like each other or not. I stated to both that I do not want to hear a disrespectful behavior from each other anymore, we are here to enjoy the center and that's how it should be. I asked both that from now on leave any situations in the past and respect each other weather you like each other or not. Ms. Maria Elena kept bringing things from the past such as everyone has preference on her since she likes to show up on everything she does, that people notices that. Once again, I reminded her that there is no preference on anyone but if she has a concern, a question or anything that she would like to bring up she is more than welcome to come to either Mindy or myself for clarification. Ms. Maria Elena also stated that even when last time she asked Mindy a question on why the treasure was not in, she was mad because Mindy make eye contact only with her when the questioned was asked. Mindy responded that she was aknowledging both her and Ms. Elva and not just one person. After that, I told her that she is taking things personal and she shouldn't because like I mentioned before everyone is the same here and eveyone is treated equally with respect. To finalize I told both that from now on as mentioned before, all I'm asking for is respect with each other and to stop assuming things to just come over to either Mindy or my self to clarify anything they need. As soon as they step out the office, Ms. Maria Elena approached some of the ladies to let them know about the situation and to write a letter complaining against Marisela.

**Action Taken** (Continued from first page)



**City of El Paso**  
**Parks and Recreation Department**  
**Injury/Incident Report**  
**(NON-EMPLOYEE)**





Complete this report immediately following any injury/incident and notify the immediate supervisor.  
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Incident Date:	12/11/2024	Incident Time:	11:00pm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AM	<input type="checkbox"/>	PM
Incident Location:	Happiness Senior Center						
Person(s) Involved:	Maria Elena Sarmiento						
Parent's Name (if minor):							
Street Address:	563 N. Carolina						
City:	El Paso	State:	Tx	Zip Code:	79915	Phone:	915.212.0435





<b>Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
N/A			
<b>Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
<p>Today during the morning Christmas Program at the Senior Center Maria Elena was asked by Carlos Rivas not to pass out candy with her name out for elections She ignored him and kept passing out candy Carlos notified me and I approached her to ask her not passed out and she became very combative telling us she was allowed to because they always done it I then told her no you can do it tomorrow and she completely ignored what I told her she asked show me where it says i cant and as she went around the room stating to others as she was going to keep doing so as she was not doing anything wrong and initiating others to follow her and support her</p>			
<b>Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
Spoke to participant			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to: _____
Police Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PD Case No: _____
<b>Witnesses</b>	<b>Check One</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Staff</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Title (if applicable)</b>
Angel Juarez	X		Recreation Program Supervisor
Carlos Rivas	X		Recreation Specialist
<b>Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report</b>			
<b>Employee Name (print)</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
Angel Juarez	Rec Program Supervisor		12/11/2024
<b>Reviewed</b>			
<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Employee Name (print)</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	NICOLAS VALDES		12/11/24
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez		12/11/24
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Caballero		12/11/24

Incident Report

	<b>City of El Paso</b> <b>Parks and Recreation Department</b> <b>Injury/Incident Report</b> <b>(NON-EMPLOYEE)</b>	 <b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b> <small>CITY OF EL PASO</small>
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 Reports are due to the Parks and Recreation Administrative Office within 2 business days.

Incident Date:	3/13/2025	Incident Time:	11:15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AM	<input type="checkbox"/>	PM
Incident Location:	Happiness Senior Center						
Person(s) Involved:	Maria Elena Sarmiento, Jose David Perez, Mancela Muñoz						
Parent's Name (if minor):							
Street Address:	563 N. Carolina						
City:	El Paso	State:	Texas	Zip Code:	79915	Phone:	9152120435

<b>Type of Injury/Incident (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
Verbal Confrontation			
<b>Describe What Happened (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
Maricela Muñoz came office made a complaint to Angel Juarez and Lluvia Espinoza that Maria Elena Sarmiento confronted her of going into advisory closet where she is not allowed and might steal soda. Mrs. Muñoz stated that Mr. David Perez gave her permission to store items she brought and if she can help him and retrieve paper cups they needed from the closet. Maricela felt singled out with her accusations personal attacks towards her being discriminated against as other volunteers have gone to closets to help and she is not allowed to. While she was making the complaint Maria Elena came to the office stated, "You (Angel Juarez) told me only advisory members allowed in the storage and use of keys so that means Maricela has no reason to go back there." Angel Juarez responded, "Correct Ms. Sarmiento but if a Advisory member gives her permission he has given that consent then it is fine as with other volunteers do. Maria Elena denied that no one else goes or grabs the keys. Angel Juarez corrected			
<b>Action Taken (Continue on Page 2, if more space needed)</b>			
Spoke to all parties			
EMS Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transported to _____
Police Called?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PD Case No: _____
<b>Witnesses</b>		<b>Check One</b>	
Name	Staff	Other	Title (if applicable)
Lluvia Espinoza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Recreation Program supervisor
<b>Employee Completing Injury/Incident Report</b>			
Employee Name (print)	Title	Signature	Date
Angel Juarez	Recreation Program Supervisor		3/13/2025
<b>Reviewed</b>			
Reviewer	Employee Name (print)	Signature	Date
Site Supervisor / Coordinator	Nicolas Lopez		
Division Manager	Enrique Valadez		03/13/25
Assistant Director	VACANT		
Director	Pablo Caballero		3/13/25

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<b>Type of Injury/Incident</b> (Continued from first page)
<p>Angel Juarez corrected her and gave her examples of Mr. Felix Peña or Ms. Rita, Ms Vero going to back to retrieve items and It was never an issue but since now its Ms. Muñoz its a problem for you. MariaElena Sarmienta became upset as Ms. Muñoz repeated that she has accused her having personal problem with her and of stealing, responding, "No pongas palabras en mi boca yo no dije nada, Estoy no esta bien voy ir por mi telefono para grabar lo que dicen." MariaElena then made a complaint that they always go grab ice without telling her. Angel Juarez told her that there was no problem with that as the Ice Machine belongs to the center as a courtesy they ask the advisory board and in situations I have no problem going to help giving them ice. Ms. Sarmiento then left the office and began speaking to other participants.</p>
<b>Describe What Happened</b> (Continued from first page)
<b>Action Taken</b> (Continued from first page)

To whom it may concerned,

On Monday March 31, Mr. David Perez came up to me, Lluvia Espinoza willing to have a minute to talk about a situation that happened on Thursday March 27 during bingo.

Mr. Perez mentioned that he was upset and he was thinking on resigning from the advisory board. Mr. Perez mentioned that he felt upset by the fact that he was calling the numbers from the bingo on Thursday the 27, when someone called BINGO after one of the number have being displayed in the camera without being called and he proceeded to make the call for invalid BINGO. After making the call, Maria Elena Sarmiento got the other microphone and started raising her voice at him and asking him that who was calling the numbers him or the TV. Mr. Perez politely started explaining Maria Elena that is valid until he calls the numbers. Maria Elena rudely continued the argument over the microphone making him very uncomfortable and embarrassed, but that's when Mindy Neria intervene to smooth out things. This situation was a matter for Mr. Perez to feel as described above since was not the first time Mrs. Maria Elena approaches Mr. Perez as he mentioned.

After talking with Mr. Perez, I proceed to have the conversation with Mindy Neria regarding the situation and she confirmed what Mr. Perez mentioned describing the same situation.

If there are any further questions regarding the matter please let me know.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'LE' with a large loop and a trailing flourish.

Lluvia Espinoza



# Parks and Recreation Department

**MAYOR**  
Oscar Leeser

To: Ms. Maria Elena Sarmiento, Senior participant at Jessie Moreno Happiness Senior Center

From: Enrique Valadez, Recreation Programs Manager El Paso Parks and Recreation Department

**CITY COUNCIL**

**District 1**  
Bran Kennedy

Date: December 20, 2024

Subject: Warning Letter

**District 2**  
Dr. Josh Acevedo

Ms. Sarmiento:

**District 3**  
Cassandra Hernandez

This letter shall serve as a formal warning letter, for disrespecting and challenging the authority of the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation staff.

**District 4**  
Joe Molinar

You (Ms. Maria Elena Sarmiento) disrespected and challenged the authority of the staff from the Parks and Recreation Department in the following occasions:

**District 5**  
Isabel Salcido

- a. On December 11, 2024, you decided to deliver promotion for your candidature as President of the Advisory Board at Jessie Moreno Happiness Senior Center. At the same time, a play called "Pastorela" was taking place. You were approached by Mr. Carlos Rivas and Mr. Angel Juarez, and asked to cease the distribution of promotion, since it was distracting the audience and disrespecting the efforts made by the peer seniors impersonating the characters of the "Pastorela". Blatantly, you ignored the staff request and, raising your voice, challenged the staff to make her to stop and demanded to see a policy where she could not distribute promotion.

**District 6**  
Art Fierro

- b. On September 11, 2024, we (Enrique Valadez, Recreation Programs Manager, Angel Juarez, yourself and other participant) held a meeting at the Jessie M. Happiness Senior Center office, to discuss the changes for volunteers giving the meals tickets. I informed you, in several occasions, that the changes occurred since we needed to give volunteering opportunities to other participants, and that the order was given to be applied at all Seniors Centers, not only for Happiness or especially for you. You insisted in accusing Mr. Angel Juarez and myself of implementing a complot to remove you from the tickets distribution. After repeating the same accusation in several occasions, and demanding an explanation for being removed from the ticket's distribution, I decided to end the meeting since your attitude was disrespectful and you were not accepting the reasons for the change. Three (3) days later, at another visit I made to the center, you confronted me again, in the middle of the main hall, stating that you wanted to discuss your reinstatement on the meal tickets distribution. I asked you to go to the office to have a conversation in private, and you stated, in loud voice volume, that you wanted all the other participants to hear the discussion. After hearing the same accusations and demands, I stated again that the rule and changes for volunteers distributing the

**District 7**  
Henry Rivera

**District 8**  
Chris Canales

**INTERIM CITY  
MANAGER**  
Cary Weston

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# Parks and Recreation Department

**MAYOR**  
Oscar Leeser

County Nutrition Meals, would stay and that you were going to be scheduled, as well as other participants, once or twice per week, in a schedule that may change monthly. I finished the discussion and left the facility.

**CITY COUNCIL**

**District 1**  
Brian Kennedy

**District 2**  
Dr. Josh Acevedo

**District 3**  
Cassandra Hernandez

**District 4**  
Joe Molinar

**District 5**  
Isabel Salcido

**District 6**  
Art Fierro

**District 7**  
Henry Rivera

**District 8**  
Chris Canales

Our priority is to maintain our Senior Centers safe, clean, supervised and pleasant, creating programs and activities that promote an environment full of harmony and respect, improving the quality of life of our Seniors participants. You are welcome to enjoy our center, as well as any other participants. Please help us to maintain the Center environment pleasant for you and other.

This warning letter will serve as reference for any future situation and will be taken in consideration if any new deviation from the Code of Conduct occurs, resulting in disciplinary actions that may include temporary or permanent suspension.

If a situation deviates from the code of conduct, based on the Advisory Board By-Laws, you will immediately be removed from your position as President of the 2025 Advisory Board at Jessie Moreno Happiness Senior Center.

Sincerely,

Enrique Valadez,  
Recreation Programs Manager

Nicolas Valdes  
Recreation and Sports Coordinator

**INTERIM CITY  
MANAGER**  
Cary Westin

*MANIA ELENA SARMIENTO  
REFUSED TO SIGN ON  
12-27-24*

*WITNESS  
Carmelita Rivas  
Carmelita Rivas  
12/27/24*

*WITNESS  
Angel Lopez*

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To whom it may concern:

My name is Marialeaa Sarmiento and I'm a member at Happiness Senior Center. Yesterday 12-28-23 as I was walking out of center with 2 other ladies, I heard a comment loud enough to be heard, which was obviously meant towards one of the ladies with me. The person who made the comment and the lady walking out with me, had an incident a couple of months ago, which resulted on the person being suspended from center. There had been doubt on my mind about what she had been accused of, but now with this incident, I believe that she is capable of that and maybe more. On 3 different times this same person has made unnecessary comments to me as well, but I have just ignored and not reported her. I believe that being the centers elected Queen, she should have integrity, instead of causing problems.





El Paso, TX

300 N. Campbell  
El Paso, TX

Legislation Text

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**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
LEGISTAR AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM**

**AGENDA LANGUAGE:**

*This is the language that will be posted to the agenda. Please use ARIAL 11 Font.*

**Presentation & Discussion: On Upcoming Parks and Recreation Summer Programming - Raul Diaz, Media Specialist**



# Parks and Recreation

## Special Events

Raul Diaz, Media Specialist

**EASTSIDE**  
SPORTS COMPLEX PHASE II

**RIBBON-CUTTING  
CEREMONY**  
**11:30 AM**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 12**  
**14380 MONTWOOD DR.**

The poster features a green and white geometric design with a soccer field and a football player. The background includes a stylized cityscape with a large star graphic.

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CITY OF EL PASO



## Movies at the Park



Movies at the Park is a free outdoor film series that invites residents to enjoy family-friendly movies under the stars at parks across the city.

Presented in partnership with Raising Cane's, ZTEX Construction, and the El Paso Community Foundation.

### District 1: Friday, May 23

Braden About Memorial Park

Attendance: 300

### District 2: Friday, June 6

Grandview Park

Attendance: 500









# MOVIES

AT THE *Park*

FREE FILMS UNDER THE STARS

## FRIDAYS 7:30 PM

MAY 23	INSIDE OUT 2	Braden About Memorial Park	4325 River Bend Dr.
JUN. 6	MOANA 2	Grandview Park	3100 Jefferson Ave.
JUN. 20	THE WILD ROBOT	Pebble Hills Park	3200 Fierro Dr.
JUL. 11	SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 3	Veterans Park	5301 Salem Dr.
JUL. 25	DESPICABLE ME 4	Salvador Rivas Jr. Park	12480 Pebble Hills Blvd.
AUG. 8	LILO & STITCH (2002)	Ranchos Del Sol Park	1100 Ted Houghton Dr.
AUG. 22	PUSS IN BOOTS: THE LAST WISH	Blackie Chesher Park	1100 N. Zaragoza Rd.
SEPT. 5	ENCANTO	Cleveland Square Park	510 N. Santa Fe St.





## Upcoming Events

**SPRAY PARKS  
OPENING DAY**  
SATURDAY, MAY 24  
OPEN DAILY 10AM - 8PM **FREE**

**LOCATIONS:**

- Braden Aboud Memorial Spray Park  
4325 River Bend Dr.
- Chamizal Community Spray Park  
2119 Cypress Ave.
- Grandview Spray Park  
3100 Jefferson Ave.
- Hidden Valley Spray Park  
200 Coconut Tree Ln.
- Marty Robbins Spray Park  
1600 Vista Del Sol Dr.
- Pavo Real Enhanced Spray Park  
9301 Alameda Ave.
- Salvador Rivas Jr. Spray Park  
12480 Pebble Hills Blvd.
- Sue Young Spray Park  
9730 Diana Dr.
- Westside Community Spray Park  
7400 High Ridge Dr.

**SPLASH PADS:**

- San Jacinto Plaza  
114 W Mills Ave.

**CLUB REC  
SUMMER  
CAMP**  
JUNE 9 - JULY 3  
Registration  
BEGINS MAY 8

**9 AM - 1 PM  
MONDAY - FRIDAY**  
Ages 6 - 12:  
\$40 PER WEEK, PER CHILD  
Teen Leaders Program:  
\$20 PER WEEK, PER CHILD  
**YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS  
AVAILABLE**  
MORE INFORMATION:  
(915) 212-2141

**LOCATIONS:**

- Chamizal Community Cntr.
- Don Hoskins Rec. Cntr.
- Gary Del Palache Rec. Cntr.
- Marty Robbins Rec. Cntr.
- Sylvia A. Carreon Community Cntr.
- The Breast Urban Park
- Veterans Rec. Cntr.
- Wayne Thornton Community Cntr.

2119 Cypress Ave.  
7400 High Ridge Dr.  
3001 Parkwood St.  
11620 Vista Del Sol St.  
709 Lomita Dr.  
13501 Jason Crandall  
5301 Salem Dr.  
3134 Jefferson Ave.

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## Youth Programming

Program is designed to foster personal growth, teamwork, and well-being in young individuals through a dynamic blend of sports, skill-building, and health-focused activities.

**JUMP START  
SOCCER**  
AGES 3-4  
CAMP BEGINS MONDAY, JUNE 16

**INFORMATION:**

- 3-WEEK CAMP
- MON. & WED. | 12:30 PM
- \$40 PER CHILD
- YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

**LOCATION:**

**ARMILLO REC. CTR.**  
700 E 7<sup>TH</sup> AVE | 915-212-0396

For more information: [GallegosEX@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:GallegosEX@elpasotexas.gov)

### Mini Sports – Basketball

- Season June 9 – August 2
- Ages 4-7

### Mini Sports- Soccer

- Season June 9 – August 2
- Ages 4-7

### Recreational Leagues

- Volleyball
- Season June 9 – August 1
- Ages 9-13

### Jump Start - Soccer

- Camp June 16 – August 1
- Ages 3 years old
- Armijo Recreation Center



## Live Active El Paso

Free program to promote better health and wellness by encouraging physical activity, improved nutrition, and strong mental health

### Hike A Thon Series

- June 21 – Maze Trail
- July 12 – Old Tin Mine
- August 16 – Palisades Canyon Loop
- September 20 – Knapp Land

### Yoga Wednesdays

- June 18 - September 3
- Argal Park
- 7:00 PM

### Back to School Event

- Saturday, July 26
- Eastwood Park
- 8 AM – 10 AM

### Live Active Day

- Saturday, August 23
- Memorial Reserve
- Time - TBD



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## Questions

