

# MINUTES OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION

Santa Clara Senior Center Santa Clara, CA Monday, March 27, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioner Wanda Buck

Commissioner Bobbi Estrada Commissioner Grant McCauley Commissioner Sam Orme Commissioner Nancy Toledo

Excused: Commissioner Alma Garcia

**Commissioner Elphinstone Birch** 

Staff: Jennifer Herb, Recreation Supervisor

Kimberly Castro, Recreation Manager

Mallory von Kugelgen, Health and Wellness Coordinator

Guests: Teresa O'Neill, City Council member

Matters for Council Action: None

#### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wanda Buck at 10:04 a.m.

## 2. Public Presentation

None

## 3. Approval of the Agenda

Upon call to order, a motion by Commissioner Toledo, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, the Commissioner approved (4-0) the order of the agenda.

# 4. Approval of February 27 meeting minutes

On a motion by Commissioner McCauley, and a second by Commissioner Orme, the Commission approved (5-0) the minutes for the regular meeting of February 27, 2017.

## 5. Correspondence/Communications -

- A. Recreation Supervisor Herb shared with the Commission that Community Development is looking for a member of the Senior Advisory Commission to sit on the VTA/Bart Working Group committee. Supervisor Herb is getting the dates up future meetings and will communicate them to the Commission.
- B. Recreation Manager Castro informed the Commission that Happy Hollow is holding the Senior Safari Walk-about again this year.
- C. Recreation Supervisor Herb shared the Parks and Recreation Council Summary from the February 21 and March 7 meetings with the Commission.

#### 6. Old Business

- A. Santa Clara Library Book to Action program: Commission Buck noticed that the Library was showing a movie called "The Cost of Dying" on Tuesday, March 28.
- B. Silver Tsunami, Dementia updates No Updates

## 7. Committee Reports

- A. Santa Clara Health & Wellness Fair Commissioner McCauley provided updates to the Commission. The Lion's Club will be offering hearing and vision screenings. Health and Wellness Coordinator von Kugelgen shared the list of organizations participating in the fair, as well as informed the Commission that the Women's League is putting together a volunteer schedule for their members.
- B. Elder Abuse Workshop Commissioner Estrada and Garcia had no updates.
- C. Brain Health Commissioner Orme informed the commission that Kaiser is offering a Brain Fitness 101 on Fridays from 2:30 4:00 pm. This is free to Kaiser Members. Commissioner Orme also reminded the group about the 2017 Changing Aging Tour.
- D. Age-Friendly Recreation Manager Castro informed the Commission that the City is pending approval from the World Health Organization. Councilmember O'Neill encouraged the Commission to watch the online presentation by Don Wheedon, Santa Clara County 3.0, at the City Council meeting on March 14 as the concepts discussed were consistent with the Age-Friendly domains.

#### 8. New Business

A. Senior Needs Assessment/GAP Analysis – Recreation Manager Castro shared with the Commission the intention of the Senior Needs Assessment to be a City-wide assessment to inform data driven decision making for programs and services offered to adults 50+ in the City of Santa Clara. She asked that the Commission review the previous survey and bring back notes and/or comments along with recommended people/organizations to be added to the contact list. A kick-off meeting will be scheduled in May, and Senior Advisory members will be informed and invited to attend.

## 9. Staff Reports

A. Supervisor Herb informed the Commission that a new Dust Collection System will be installed and Computer Lab will soon be upgraded at the Senior Center.

# 10. Commissioner Reports

- A. Commissioner Estrada informed the Commission that she is willing to help with the setup of the Health and Wellness Fair, since she is unable to attend the event.
- B. Commissioner Orme shared an article he read that stated, "People in the USA don't live as long as people in other countries, and that in Santa Clara we live even less." Commissioner Orme posed that question that maybe there should be public policy to address these statistics.

## 11. Conference and Attendance Reports

A. Supervisor Herb was asked about information gathered at the CPRS (California Park and Recreation Society) Conference in March. She shared with the Commission that she heard information on the following topics: Mission and Vision Statements; Preparing for the Next Generation; Senior Tsunami; Mobilizing Volunteers; Business, Marketing, & Replacement planning; and Working with Millennials.

12. Adjournment On a motion by Commissioner Estrada and seconded by Commissioner Toledo, the Commission (5-0) adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.			
Prepared by:_	Jennifer Herb Recreation Supervisor	Reviewed by:	Grant McCauley Commission Secretary
Submitted by:	James Teixeira Director of Parks and Recreation		