

MINUTES OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION

Santa Clara Senior Center Santa Clara, CA Monday, September 25, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Commissioner Wanda Buck

Commissioner Bobbi Estrada Commissioner Grant McCauley Commissioner Sam Orme Commissioner Nancy Toledo Commissioner Alma Garcia Commissioner Carolyn Seeger

Excused:

None

Staff:

Kimberly Castro, Recreation Manager Jennifer Herb, Recreation Supervisor

Council Member, Debi Davis

Guests:

Frank Kadlecek – Community member Dwight Collins – Community member Tom Freitas – Community member

Richard Kerrigan – Project Finance Advisory Limited Victoria Tyler - Project Finance Advisory Limited

Carol Shariat - Public Works

Matters for Council Action: None

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bobbie Estrada at 10:05 a.m.

2. Public Presentation

- A. ISC/ISHOF/CRC Project Project Finance Advisory Limited talked about the details of the project and asked for feedback from Commissioners. Comments from the Commission pertained to increase in traffic, funding source/s, programming, parking concerns, and location of project.
- B. Sustainable Communities Transportation Planning Grant Public Works, Traffic and Engineering asked for feedback from the Commission regarding pedestrian usage around Santa Clara. Comments from the Commissioners included left-hand turns, visibility on corners, uneven surfaces in pavement, creating pleasant experience for walkers (natural barrier, i.e., plants/trees), recharging stations for scooters, cross-walk timing, and potential funding amount.
- C. Dwight Collins shared information with the Commission regarding being a walking community where things are centralized.
- D. Frank Kadlecek shared that the next Sourcewise meeting is Monday, October 2. Sourcewise is looking for applicants for the Senior Representative. Frank also informed the Commission that the AARP Tax Aide program is looking for volunteers for the 2018 tax season.

3. Approval of the Agenda

On a motion by Commissioner Buck, and seconded by Commissioner Garcia, the Commission approved (7-0) the order of the agenda.

4. Approval of August 28 meeting minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Garcia, and a second by Commissioner Buck, the commission approved (7-0) the minutes for the regular meeting.

5. Correspondence/Communications -

- A. Supervisor Herb shared that there will be a Santa Clara County Age-Friendly Community Conversations in Campbell on Wednesday, September 27 from 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
- B. Supervisory Herb informed the Commission about the upcoming CPR/AED training opportunity. She encouraged those that wanted to take the training to let her know.

6. Old Business

- A. Senior Center Ice Cream Social, August 30 Commissioners who attended said it was a great event. They enjoyed the Ukulele Band and the yummy ice cream.
- B. Medic Alert collaboration this program is still ongoing.
 - i. Enrollment forms are available at the Senior Center front desk. Forms will be collected by SCPD and takes approximately 2 weeks to process.
- C. Fall classes at the Senior Center begin the week of September 25 -
- D. ADA meeting, September 14 The meeting was canceled and they are looking for another date.

7. Committee Reports

- A. Elder Abuse (Commissioner Estrada/Garcia) Supervisor Herb is looking for speakers to come and speak at the Senior Center
- B. Brain Health (Commissioner Orme/Buck) Commissioner Orme will be attending Metabolism & Cognition seminar on October 5 and will bring back information to share. Commissioner Orme also talked about the benefits of Mindfulness as a way to reduce stress.
- C. Age-Friendly (All) The City of Santa Clara was recognized at the Senior Agenda Summit for their status of Age-Friendly.
- D. ADA (Commissioner Orme/Toledo) Nothing at this time

8. New Business

A. Santa Clara Police Department City-Wide Survey – Supervisor Herb informed the Commission that Santa Clara PD is conducting a survey which can be obtained at the Senior Center front desk.

9. Staff Reports

A. Recreation Supervisor Herb informed that the ground breaking for the San Tomas/Monroe Park and Community Gardens went really well and there was a great turnout.

10. Commissioner Reports

A. Commissioner Buck informed the Commission that she's heard of special glasses that can help with driving at night, which can be obtained from an Optometrist.

- B. Commissioner McCauley commended the Senior Center staff on handling the 911 emergency during the Ice Cream Social.
- C. Commissioner Orme shared with the commission a message provided by the speaker at the Senior Agenda Network, regarding how to talk about issues pertaining to seniors in a more acceptable manner.
- D. Commissioner Toledo shared an article in the September 3 San Jose Mercury News about a free transportation services for the West Valley area.

11. Conference and Attendance Reports - None

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On a motion by Commissioner Orme and seconded by Commissioner Garcia, the

Commission (7-0) adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Prepared by:

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Reviewed by:

Grant McCauley
Commission Secretary

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Director of Parks and Recreation