



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Senior Advisory Commission

01/24/2022

10:00 AM

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

A regular meeting was called to order by Chair Grant McCauley at 10:03 a.m.

Present 4 - Commissioner Wanda Buck, Chair Grant L. McCauley, Vice Chair Nancy Toledo, and Commissioner James Hohenshelt

Absent 2 - Commissioner Judy Hubbard, and Commissioner Helen Narciso

A motion was made by Vice Chair Toledo, seconded by Commissioner Hohenshelt to excuse Commissioner Narciso.

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Buck, Chair McCauley, Vice Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Hohenshelt

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Narciso

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Hubbard

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A. [22-63](#) Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of November 22, 2021

Recommendation: Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of November 22, 2021.

Commissioner Buck asked that the minutes be amended to reflect she did not abstain on the vote to excuse Commissioner Narciso.

A motion was made by Commissioner Buck, seconded by Commissioner Hohenshelt to approve the minutes of January 24, 2022 as amended.

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Buck, Chair McCauley, Vice Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Hohenshelt

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Narciso

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Hubbard

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

GENERAL BUSINESS

Commissioner Hubbard arrived at 10:15 a.m.

2. [22-64](#) Senior Advisory Commission Work Plan & Goals for FY2021/22

Relating to Goal 1 - Advocate for Affordable and Convenient Housing:

1.a & b. - **Recreation Supervisor Herb** shared that she's waiting to hear from the Community Development Department on date for the "Housing Elements (How does it benefit the older adult population)" presentation.

1.c. - **Mayor Gillmor** confirmed that the City Housing Commission has been approved and awaiting interviews for Commissioners.

Relating to Goal 2 - Develop Opportunities to Promote Health, Wellness, and Nutrition:

2.a. - **Commissioner Buck** expressed how impressed she was with the Kaiser presenter Dr. Steinman for the "Navigating through the Holidays, During a Pandemic." She shared that she found it very informative.

Commissioner Buck provided the resource of Friendship Line in San Francisco, as well as the Warm Line offered by NAMI. **Commissioner Buck** asked that the Senior Center provide a list of acronyms for organizations that assist the older adult population.

2.b. - **Commissioner McCauley and Toledo** provided an update for the Health & Wellness Fair. **Commissioner McCauley** shared that the committee meeting scheduled for the end of January was cancelled due to lack of updates from exhibitors. Exhibitors are keeping an eye on the Omicron surge and waiting for numbers to decline. **Recreation Supervisor Herb** shared with the commission that she is working with **Health & Wellness Coordinator von Kugelgen** to continue planning the event.

2.c. - There was no report on the City ADA Committee meeting(s). **Mayor Gillmor** informed the commission that she will look into the status of the committee. **Commissioner McCauley** shared that the Magical Bridge Foundation received another donation towards the City's all-inclusive playground in Central Park.

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Supervisor Herb asked the Commission to save the date for Saturday, April 9. The Senior Center is hosting Breakfast with the Bunny. This event will be an opportunity for the Youth Commission and Senior Advisory Commission to help facilitate the activities at the event. The event will be from 9 - 11 a.m.

Recreation Supervisor Herb updated the Commission on continued Senior Center programs and activities (Senior Center fitness classes, Senior Center Newsletter, and the Howdy Packet), operating Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. She shared COVID updates at the facility due to the Omicron surge which includes:

- Senior Nutrition Program is not offering indoor dining
- Cardio machines in the Fitness Center are now operating every other as a way to spread patrons out on the equipment.

Recreation Supervisor Herb shared with the Commission that tax season has started and AARP will be offering Zoom assistance. Individuals can call the Senior Center for contact information.

Recreation Manager Castro provided Parks & Recreation updates for the Commission, including:

- Parks & Recreation winter classes are under way and that staff have begun to plan for the spring session.
- The Westwood Oaks Park Playground Rehabilitation Project is being recommended to City Council.
- The Parks & Recreation Department will be meeting with the architect for the Magical Bridge Project.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner McCauley - encouraged the Commission to sign up for the free COVID antigen tests through the USPS. **Commissioner Hohenshelt** added that it is super easy or order the free tests.

Commissioner Toledo - shared that the Santa Clara Women's League provided a 125 holiday meals for the Senior Nutrition Program. The members helped serve coffee, greeted patrons, and visited with those that stayed to eat.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Toledo, seconded by Commissioner Buck that the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Buck, Commissioner Hubbard, Chair McCauley, Vice Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Hohenshelt

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Narciso

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