



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Senior Advisory Commission

06/27/2022

10:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

Present 5 - Commissioner Wanda Buck, Commissioner Judy Hubbard, Vice Chair Grant L. McCauley, Chair Nancy Toledo, and Commissioner James Hohenshelt

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.A [22-805](#) Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of May 23, 2022

Recommendation: Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of May 23, 2022

A motion was made by Commissioner Buck, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard to approve the minutes of May 23, 2022.

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

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Tom Freitas commended the Senior Center on a successful Health & Wellness Fair.

Vice Mayor Jain echoed praise to the Senior Advisory Commission and the Senior Center on a job well done on the Health & Wellness Fair.

GENERAL BUSINESS**2. [22-806](#) Senior Advisory Commission Work Plan & Goals Update for FY2021/22**

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

1.a. & b. **Recreation Supervisor Herb** inquired if there were any comments regarding the Housing Element updates provided by the Community Development Department on May 23. The Committee had nothing more to add.

1. c. - No report since the Housing Commission is on hold until further notice.;

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

2.a. - The Health, Wellness, and Nutrition sub-committee had no report;

2.b. - **Health & Wellness Coordinator Von Kugelgen** provided a brief wrap-up of the Health & Wellness Fair stating that staff had a brief evaluation to capture the initial thoughts of the staff. Exhibitors submitted their evaluations and the event received 4 and 5, with mostly 5 stars. Words used to describe the event were: informative, important, valuable, diverse, spacious, fun, and inclusive. 400 people attended with over 50 exhibitors.

2.c - No report since there was no ADA Committee Meeting.

3. [22-693](#) Senior Advisory Commission FY2022/23 Work Plan & Goals Discussion

Based on the eight (8) domains of the Age-Friendly City guidelines, the Commission brainstormed topics they'd like to consider for the 2022-23 Work Plan.

Related to **Housing** - it was suggested that the Commission help advocate the support to allow older adults to age comfortably and safely in a quality neighborhood, regardless of circumstance by:

A. Educating the group on the homeless individuals in Santa Clara.

Related to **Outdoor Spaces and Buildings** - it was suggested that the Commission advocate for green spaces, sidewalks, safe streets, outdoor seating and accessible buildings by:

A. Providing more outdoor recreation activities.

B. Participating in design phase discussions of new park buildings & spaces.

Related to **Transportation and Streets** - it was suggested that the Commission continue to advocate for affordable, convenient, and safe transportation and streets by:

A. Continuing to monitor the progress of the Transportation Letter through the Council Goal Setting Session.

B. Evaluating (strengths, weakness, opportunities and challenges) of various street crossings in Santa Clara.

1. Monroe at the Community Garden

2. General safety for all ages

C. Evaluating bike paths and excessive speeding

Related to **Health, Wellness, and Nutrition** - it was suggested that the Commission provide health and supports services essential to maintaining the health and independence of older adults by:

A. Providing resources on the topic of Alzheimer's/Dementia.

B. Develop opportunities to address Mental Health concerns such as:

1. Hoarding Disorder

Related to **Social and Civic Engagement** - it was suggested that the Commission promote opportunities for social participation and social support by:

A. Exploring opportunities for Hybrid meetings/recreation opportunities.

B. Providing programming and or resources to reduce isolation.

4. [22-692](#) Senior Advisory Commission Election of Chair and Vice Chair for FY2022/23

Recommendation: Elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to serve the Senior Advisory Commission for the FY2022/23 term.

Commissioner Hubbard nominated Commissioner Toledo for the position of Chair for the 2022-23 fiscal year. **Commissioner Toledo** accepted the nomination.

A motion was made b Commissioner Hubbard, seconded by Commissioner Buck, to elect Commissioner Toledo as Chair for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

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

Commissioner Toledo nominated Commissioner McCauley for the position of Vice-Chair for the 2022-23 fiscal year. **Commissioner McCauley** accepted the nomination.

A motion was made by Commissioner Toledo, seconded by Commissioner Buck, to elect Commissioner McCauley as Vice-Chair for 2022-23 fiscal year.

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

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Supervisor Herb provided Senior Center updates regarding:

- Senior Center BBQ & A event returned to the Senior Center. The event was well attended with many new faces. Special thanks to Commissioner McCauley and Toledo for volunteering and working the food line. Stay tuned for the next BBQ&A on July 21.
- There will be a Seniors Council Presentation - Foster Grandparent & Senior Companion Programs on Wednesday, July 6.
- Lending Closet is open at the Senior Center. Individuals can call the Health & Wellness Program for assistance.
- Free Emergency First Aid Training: Stop the Bleed Workshop event will be on July 12.
- Clear Captions Table Talk was held on June 17 and will be returning again in July.
- The Ceramics Studio is opening in July at the Senior Center, on Thursdays from 12 - 2 pm.
- Intro to Hand-Building starts in July on Tuesdays from 12 - 2 pm.
- Aquatic Classes are starting in July in the Natatorium on Mondays and Wednesdays mornings.
- The Senior Nutrition Program is returning to indoor dining on Friday, July 1.
- The Senior Center is servicing, cleaning, and organizing the Woodshop and the Lapidary. The Special Interest areas are looking for instructors and hope to open in the fall.

Health & Wellness Coordinator Von Kugelgen shared that the Health & Wellness Program has created Memories & Hugs in partnership with Kaiser Hospital. There was a kick-off meeting on June 20 for those interested in creating teddy bears or pillows created with items of clothing from loved ones.

Recreation Manager shared the following updates:

- The City is looking into ways for Commission meetings to be hybrid.
- The Parks & Recreation Department offered 4 Lifeguard Training Classes this spring, which yielded 12 new lifeguards. Typically the department would have 60 during this season, and we currently have 25. Until more lifeguards are hired, the International Swim Center continues to offer lap swim.
- The Senior Center is aware of the public's desire for extended hours, and the department is actively looking for additional staffing to open the facility with expanded hours. The department is open to hire encore professionals that might be looking for part-time work.
- Sunset Cinema has held on June 24 from 7 - 10 pm at Live Oak Park. Families enjoyed the movie, "Clifford the Big Red Dog."

- The All-City Picnic will be held on July 4th from 12 - 5pm in Central Park.
- The Summer Concert Series continues on July 22 at 6:30 pm in Live Oak Park.
- The Street Dance will be held August 5 from 6 - 9:30 pm at Franklin Mall.
- The Art and Wine Festival September 17 and 18.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Buck - expressed her gratitude for her years of service on the Commission and shared some of her favorite memories of her time on the Commission. She's not sure where she'll volunteer next, but she'll be in touch.

Commissioner Toledo - thanked Commissioner Buck for her service on the Commission and expressed that Wanda will be missed. She also shared that she really enjoyed participating in Coffee Talks with the Youth Commission, which was a casual discussion between some of the members of the Youth and Senior Advisory Commission. Nancy also expressed her enjoyment of volunteering at the Senior Center BBQ & A event. She and Commission McCauley helped on the food line along with a couple of Youth Commissioners

Commissioner McCauley - echoed Commissioner Toledo's comments about the Coffee Talks with the Youth Commission and volunteering at the BBQ & A event. He encouraged other Commissioners to volunteer at upcoming BBQ events. **Commissioner McCauley** also shared his thanks to Commissioner Buck for her service.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Buck made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hubbard that the meeting be adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

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

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