

### City of Santa Clara

# Meeting Minutes Senior Advisory Commission

03/27/2023 10:00 AM

Hybrid Meeting City Manager's Conf. Room City Hall - East Wing 1500 Warburton Avenue Santa Clara, CA 95050

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#### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The regular meeting was called to order by Chair Toledo at 10:01 a.m.

Present 5 - Commissioner Edmund Drozek, Commissioner Tom Freitas,
 Commissioner Veena Sterling, Chair Nancy Toledo, and
 Commissioner Rick Andrews

Absent 2 - Commissioner Judy Hubbard, and Vice Chair Grant L. McCauley

## A motion was made by Commissioner Freitas, seconded by Commissioner Drozek to excuse Commissioner Hubbard.

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Drozek, Commissioner Freitas, Commissioner Sterling, Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Andrews

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Hubbard, and Vice Chair McCauley

## A motion was made by Commissioner Drozek, seconded by Commissioner Andrews to excuse Commissioner McCauley.

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Drozek, Commissioner Freitas, Commissioner Sterling, Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Andrews

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Hubbard, and Vice Chair McCauley

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1.A** 23-402 Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of February 27, 2023

**Recommendation:** Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of February 27, 2023

A motion was made by Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Freitas to approve the minutes from February 27, 2023.

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Drozek, Commissioner Freitas, Commissioner Sterling, Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Andrews

**Excused:** 2 - Commissioner Hubbard, and Vice Chair McCauley

#### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

Martin Grosz voiced his concern for the need for transportation after medical procedures.

Jean Salmon is inquiring about adding more benches in Central Park, preferably under trees. Asking that the City encourage incentives for mobility carts similar to electric bicycles.

Wanda Buck inquired about the un-housed and overnight warming centers in Santa Clara, and also curious about the proposed transitional housing project on Benton and Lawrence Expressway.

Jeannie Battagin was following up on any movement to install crosswalks at Kiely and Barcells, and Woodhams and Homestead.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

2. 23-404 Senior Advisory Commission Work Plan & Goals for FY2022/23

Each sub-committee provided an update to the Senior Advisory Commission for discussion on the efforts and progress towards accomplishing the FY2022/23 Work Plan & Goals.

GOAL #1: Advocate for Affordable and Convenient Housing:

1.a. Appoint representative(s) to attend the Housing Commission meeting Commissioners Hubbard & Freitas

No Update - Will attend when Commission meetings begin.

 1.b. Provide an update on the (2) presentations at the Senior Center (November and April) and provide one article for the Senior Center Newsletter (February) - Commissioners Hubbard & Freitas No Update -

**Commissioner Freitas** informed the Commission about the Agrihood senior community which will begin accepting applications March 13.

GOAL #2: Encourage and Promote the use of Outdoor Spaces and Buildings - Commissioners Freitas & Sterling

2.a. Report on current public design phase discussions of new park facilities and spaces, as well as information from Parks & Recreation Commission meetings related to development that may enhance outdoor recreation for older adults.

No Update -

2.b. Update on the April Bean Bag Toss Tournament activity at the Senior Center.

**Commissioner Freitas** provided an update on the Bean Bag Toss tournament scheduled for April 19. The activity will begin at 10 am and consist of teams of 2, with a maximum of 8 teams. Prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place.

GOAL #3: Advocate for Affordable, Convenient, and Safe Transportation and Streets

3.a. Report on progress of planning phases of the VIA Shuttle -Commissioners Hubbard & Toledo

**Commissioner Toledo** shared that the VIA program will go to City Council in May with the hopes of the program beginning in June/July.

3.b. Report on the last Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting -Commissioners Drozek and Freitas

**Commissioner Drozek** reported that he'll be attending the March BPAC meeting to get an update on the progress of the status of a H.A.W.K

Light being installed and the Monroe/San Tomas pedestrian bike/crossing.

**Commissioner Freitas** shared a concern for more crosswalks in Santa Clara.

GOAL #4: Develop Opportunities to Promote Health, Wellness, and Nutrition

4.a. Provide an update on the April Alzheimer's and Dementia presentation at the Senior Center - Commissioners Hubbard & McCauley

**Recreation Supervisor Herb** reported that the Alzheimer's Presentation will be held on April 4 at the Senior Center, from 11 - 11:45 am, and encourage people to register.

GOAL #5: Provide Access to Community Resources and Information 5.a. Report from the last Clty ADA Committee meeting - Commissioner Hubbard

No Update - Will attend when Commission meetings begin.

5.b. Update on the progress and plans for the Health & Wellness Fair - Commissioners Hubbard, McCauley, & Toledo

Commissioner Toledo updated the Commission that there are 54 Exhibitor RSVP's to date. Commissioner Toledo explained the different areas where the Commissioners will be assisting. The Fair received a \$1,000 grant from Kaiser. There will be two Information Booths which will be manned by Senior Advisory Commissioners. The next meeting will be April 19.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

Recreation Supervisor Herb provided updates on the following:

- There is a new HAWK light at the corner of Harrison and Scott Blvd.
- The Youth Commission is interested in holding the Coffee Chat activity again and has proposed April 8 at 10:00 am.
- Breakfast with the Bunny will be held on April 1 from 9 11 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- The Senior Center April Newsletter will be out with the below presentations:
  - Handy Help: Assistive Devices presentation Monday, April 10
  - Health Tech Workshop on April 13
  - Disaster Preparedness on April 27
  - Caregivers Management "How-to" Workshop on April 27

#### **COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

**Commissioner Drozek** inquired about the resolution approval for land value impact from the Parks and Recreation Commission which will go to Council on April 18. He also asked about the status on Commission shirts and badges.

**Commissioner Freitas** inquired about personal Commissioner emails.

Commissioner Sterling left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

**Commissioner Freitas and Drozek** informed the Commission that they along with Commissioner Hubbard toured a Life Moves facility in Mountain View that focuses on transitional housing

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Drozek that the meeting be adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Drozek, Commissioner Freitas, Chair Toledo, and Commissioner Andrews

Excused: 2 - Commissioner Hubbard, and Vice Chair McCauley

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Sterling

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