



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGING

Wednesday, July 17, 2013, 3:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue
El Cerrito, CA 94530

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Roll Call

Present: Arlinda Babcock, Shirley Cressey, Lillian Daniels, Mark Guthrie, Kimi Honda, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Kim Marlia, Joanna Kim-Selby, Willa Sudduth, and Nola Veganez-Chavez

Excused: Karen Christian, Janet James, Callie Major, Gabriel Quinto, Joanna Kim Selby and Vera Gibbs Winston

Council Liaison: Janet Abelson

Staff: Janet Bilbas and Liza Espadilla

Guest: Pamela Kimmel

Meeting called to order at 3:00 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of June 19, 2013 approved as written.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

3. REPORTS

A. Council Liaison Report

Councilwoman Abelson reported on the acquisition of property below Madera Elementary School. WW Fund will be used as funding source in addition to other grants to acquire the property. The other presentation is about public safety, library, senior center and other recreation classes. She explained that it shows voters are not interested in building new public safety and senior center. City Council was informed that it is more likely for voters to pass a bond measure for a new library with classrooms than public safety and senior center. She said that it could be on the 2016 ballot for voters to decide. Discussion followed on Portola Middle School site, charter schools, private schools, and funding sources.

B. Affordable Housing Project Update

Councilwoman Abelson shared that there are no updates on affordable housing as the Redevelopment Agency was eliminated. She added that the city sued the state along with other cities in California.

C. Housing Subcommittee – No report.

D. Transportation Subcommittee

Ms. Cressey reported that the BART strike has ended. She added that she is among the commuters affected by the recent BART strike. She said negotiation between BART and union will resume and current contract extension runs through first week of August.

E. Legislative (State & Federal)

Mr. Guthrie reported approximately 38.2 million in funding allocation, divided between federal and state. He added that health issues with MediCal are more likely to get additional funding.

F. Area Agency on Aging Advisory – No report.

G. West County Senior Coalition (WCSC)

Ms. Bilbas reported on the healthcare presentation provided at the WCSC meeting. She added that the health services provider is seeking a host to register a group of at least 17 non-profit organizations. The host site will connect with the 17 non-profit organizations to provide health care coverage. Ms. Bilbas shared that the host site can earn approximately \$57 per person for their non-profit organization if able to sign-up participants.

H. Health Care Subcommittee – No report.

I. Membership

Dr. Kwong welcomed Ms. Veganez-Chavez as new member to the El Cerrito Committee on Aging. She announced that committee has full membership.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. GUEST SPEAKERS SUBCOMMITTEE

Discussion moved to the next regular meeting.

5. STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Ms. Bilbas reported updates on the following:

- Shuttle service to July 4th Festival well utilized during the event
- Off the Grid Food Trucks every Wednesday, 5PM-9PM on Fairmont & Carlson
- Health Care Directives presentation with Doris Mitchell on September 18 at 2PM
- 1st Thursday of every month paratransit service to Discount Grocery Store, Target, East/West Mall, and Costco in October

6. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- **GUEST SPEAKERS SUBCOMMITTEE**

7. ADJOURNED REGULAR COMMITTEE ON AGING MEETING at 4:15 P.M.

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