MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON AGING

Recreation Department – Senior Services Division

Wednesday, January 18, 2012 3:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, City Hall
10890 San Pablo Avenue
El Cerrito, CA 94530
This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

Roll Call
Present: Elizabeth Carty, Shirley Cressey, Lillian Daniels, Mark Guthrie, Kimi Honda, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Callie Major, and Willa Sudduth
Absent: Janet James
Council Liaison: Janet Abelson
Staff: Ellen Paasch and Liza Espadilla
Guests: Kim Marlia, Joanna Selby, Bridgette Snipes, and Vera Winston

Meeting called to order at 3:10 P.M.

Nomination & Election of Officers moved to beginning of the meeting. Ms. Carty read the new slate of officers as follows: Dr. Kwong – Chair; Cressey – Vice Chair; Major – Secretary; Guthrie and James – Members-At-Large.

1. **Approval of Minutes**
   Motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 16, 2011. **Action:** Moved, seconded (Cressey/Sudduth) and carried to approve the meeting minutes with one abstention from Ms. Carty as she was not present at the meeting.

2. **Public Comment**
   Introduction of guests present at the meeting as follows: Kim Marlia, Joanna Selby, Bridgette Snipes, and Vera Winston. Dr. Kwong welcomed and thanked all the guests for attending the meeting.

3. **Reports**
   A. **Council Liaison Report.** No report.
   Councilwoman Abelson announced the new El Cerrito Mayor is Bill Jones and Mayor Pro Tem is Greg Lyman.

   Councilwoman Abelson announced the upcoming film and community event at the Cerrito Theater called "The New Metropolis: Building a Sustainable and Healthy Bay Area in the Age of Global Warming". The Eco-film and community dialogue event is at the Rialto Cinema Cerrito Theater on Saturday, February 4, 2012, 10 A.M. Reception and dialogue continues at Nong Thon Vietnamese Restaurant at 12:30 P.M.

   Council Abelson reported updates on the state legislation dissolving redevelopment agency, postponement of city projects, economic development, and city budget.

   B. **Senior Center Update.** No report.

C. Housing Subcommittee. No report.

D. Transportation Sub-Committee. No report.
E. Legislative (State & Federal). No report.

F. Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council. No report.

G. West County Senior Coalition. No report.

H. **Health Care Sub-Committee**
Dr. Kwong reported that in October 2011 the U. S. Preventive Services Task Force recommended against routine screen for prostate cancer. It concluded that the benefits from screening did not outweigh the harms of screening such as unnecessary biopsies, over diagnosis of indolent tumors, and the psychological effects associated with these outcomes as well as the harm of over treating men with low-grade disease.

I. Membership.
Ms. Daniels shared she is would like to join other subcommittee within the committee.

Ms. Paasch announced that Ms. Vera Winston has attended 3 consecutive meetings and satisfied the requirement for membership to the committee. An application for membership will be mailed and processed.

J. Bylaws
Ms. Carty received feedback from Ellen Paasch, Adult Programs Supervisor, who reported she had direction from the City Clerk. She informed members that the next step is to reconvene and meet to finalize the draft. Meeting will be held at the Open House Senior Center on Wednesday, February 1, 2012, at 3:00 P.M.

4. Old Business
A. Post Office Left Hand Mail Collection Box
Dr. Kwong reported updates on U.S. Post Office left hand mail collection box.

B. Slate of Officers
Nomination and Election of Officers moved to the beginning of the meeting.

5. New Business
A. Subcommittee Assignments
Dr. Kwong introduced the following members assigned to subcommittee:
Healthcare – Honda, Dr. Kwong, and Sudduth
Transportation – Cressey and Guthrie
Housing - James and Sudduth
West County Coalition – VACANT
Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council – VACANT
Legislation – Carty and Guthrie
Membership – Daniels
Adhoc Bylaws – Carty, Cressey, Mark Guthrie, Dr. Kwong and Sudduth

6. **Staff Liaison Report**
   Ms. Paasch reported updates on the following: Annual Fundraiser, new Recreation Financial Software (RecTrac), Spring/Summer Brochure, July 4th Event, and Street Play (El Cerrito & Albany).

7. **Items for Next Agenda**
   - Ashby Village (Berkeley, CA)
   - List of Programs for Monthly Agenda

8. **Adjournment.** Meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

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