



Recreation Department – Senior Services Division

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF THE**  
**COMMITTEE ON AGING**

**Wednesday, June 17, 2009 3:00 p.m.**  
Council Chambers, City Hall  
10890 San Pablo Avenue  
El Cerrito, CA 94530

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Elizabeth Carty, Lillian Daniels, Kimi Honda, Thelma Soldavini and Willa Sudduth

**Absent:** Janet James, Joanna Kim-Selby, Callie Major and Marilyn Miller

**Council Liaison:** Janet Abelson is excused.

**Staff Liaison:** Ellen Paasch and Liza Espadilla

**Guest:** Carol Kehoe, Jan Duckart and Mark Guthrie

**1. Minutes for Approval**

Approve the minutes of March 18, 2009 meeting. **Action:** Moved, seconded, carried (Sudduth / Daniels) to approve the minutes as written.

**2. Public Comment**

No oral communications from the public.

**3. Reports**

A. Council Liaison Report

Councilwoman Abelson excused from the regular meeting. Paasch reported City Council updates: FY2010-11 budget passed; Council approved funding for St. Johns Senior Center and Christ Lutheran Senior Center' older adults summer program; Council votes on new operator for Cerrito Theater on June 24, 2009. Discussion followed on WCCD, day activity program for adults and funding resources. **Action:** Discussion held.

B. Transportation Subcommittee (Soldavini)

Reported BART contract in negotiation pending the possible fee increase. Effective July 1, 2009, Easy Ride, door-to-door shuttle service, fare to increase from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per one-way ride. **Action:** Discussion held.

C. Legislative: State & Federal (Carty)

Provided updates on older adults program budget cuts: elimination of Multipurpose Senior Services Programs' Case Management job; reduction of payments made to the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) providers and limiting program to more disable persons; medical program cuts on alternative medicine; proposal to eliminate California State Department Heads to streamline or restructure due to budget restraints. **Action:** Discussion held.

D. Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council (Selby): No report.

E. West County Coalition (Selby): No report.

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- F. Health Care Subcommittee (Sudduth)  
Reported information on global warming in relation to health care issues to follow on the next regular meeting.
- G. Housing Subcommittee (Miller): No Report.
- H. Eskaton Hazel Shirley Manor (James): No report.
- I. Membership (Daniels)  
Daniels welcomed Mark Guthrie as he expressed interest in joining the Committee. He has worked with older adults and people with disabilities for many years.
- Committee on Aging unanimously voted to recommend to the Council that Chad M. Shepard and Mary S. Queen be appointed to the Committee. **Action:** Moved, seconded, carried (Daniels / Honda) to approve the recommendation.
- J. Proposed New Senior Center (Paasch)  
Reported no updates on the proposed new Senior Center.

**4. Staff Liaison Report (Paasch)**

Reported changes in publishing the 60Plus Bulletin to six times per year due to budget restraints. Recreation Department held the Tradeway furniture sale benefiting the Fourth of July Fair. Effective July 1, 2009, the Open House Senior Center is discontinuing the half-priced paratransit ticket sales and Easy Ride, door-to-door shuttle service, fee is increasing from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per one-way ride. **Action:** Discussion held.

**5. Items for Next Agenda**

- Lecture Series Topics
- SB-18 Single Payer Health Care

**6. Adjourned** to the next regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, August 19, 2009, 3:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 10890 San Pablo Avenue, El Cerrito, CA. Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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