3:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING Chair Epley called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Kenneth Epley; Vice Chair Pamela Wagner; Members: Katherine Cesa, Janet James, Carol Kehoe, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Steve Lipson, Kim Marlia, Bruce Yow

Absent: Buddy Akacic

Also Present: Bridget Cooney, Staff Liaison, Janet Abelson, City Council Liaison, Holly Charlely, City Clerk, and Jill Kleiner, Membership Committee Chair for the Area Agency on Aging.

Members from the Public: Barbara Goldstein, joined at 3:40 p.m.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Public comment not on the agenda received from Cordell Hindler included in the supplemental materials.

3. COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members Lipson announced that the revised state Adult Education codes took effect on January 1, 2022. Lipson reported that Older Adult Education no longer receives funding from Adult Education.

Member Kehoe announced that there are new Congressional District boundaries. El Cerrito is in district 8.

4. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Reports by Councilmember Abelson and/or staff on matters of general interest to the Committee on Aging, Council policies, priorities and significant action taken by City Council.

Councilmember Abelson reported that Public Works provided a report to City Council and that report is available online. City Council adopted a code of conduct for Boards, Committees and Commissions and training will take place soon.

Staff Liaison Cooney reported that a Memorial Bench was installed at Canyon Trail Park and a second Memorial Bench was ordered.

Staff Liaison Cooney reported that training for new code of conduct for all Committee, Commission and Board members will take place in March.

5. COMMITTEE ON AGING LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Member Lipson reported that Debbie Toth spoke to the Advisory Council on Aging.
(ACOA) regarding transportation and the “one seat transit” program as well as gave a regional update for the Master Plan for Aging.

Member Lipson reported that the California Senior Legislature is seeking volunteers.

Member Kehoe reported that at the West County Senior Coalition meeting there was a presentation by the ACOA.

Members Kehoe and Cesa shared that John Gioia shared information with the West County Senior Coalition regarding Measure X and how the money is being distributed.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Moved/Second: Member Kehoe Moved/Member Cesa Second
Action: Adopted the minutes with corrections from the Committee meeting on January 19, 2022.
Ayes: Chair Epley, Vice Chair Wagner, Member Cesa, Member James, Member Kehoe, Member Dr. Kwong, Member Lipson, Member Marlia, Member Yow
Nos: None
Abstention: None

7. CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING
Jill Kleiner, Membership Committee Chair shared information about the Advisory Council on Aging.

8. CALIFORNIA MASTER PLAN ON AGING
Member Kehoe shared information learned from attending a presentation by Jody Reed, on the California Master Plan on Aging.

9. WORK PLAN REPORTS
a. Outreach: Committee on Aging Newsletter February/March edition
Moved/Second: Member Kehoe/Member James
Action: approved for publication the Committee on Aging newsletter with corrections.
Ayes: Chair Epley, Vice Chair Wagner, Member Cesa, Member James, Member Kehoe, Member Dr. Kwong, Member Lipson, Member Marlia, Member Yow
Nos: None
Abstention: None

b. Memorial Bench Program: Staff Liaison Cooney reported that a Memorial Bench in honor of Aaron Morris Kami was installed at Canyon Trail Park on 2/1/22 and a second Memorial Bench in honor of Kimi Honda has been ordered.

c. Housing: Member James reported that construction on Vista Woods affordable housing complex for seniors in Pinole is expected to start this month and construction is expected to last two years.

d. Transportation: Staff Liaison Cooney reported that AC Transit has an online survey regarding improving rider experience and bus stops. Committee members were encouraged to take the survey.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
  • Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 16, 2022
• Annual re-organization of the Committee on Aging: April 2022
• Annual Work Plan accomplishments & goal setting for 2022/23: May/June 2022

11. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Kenneth Epley adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular Committee on Aging meeting of February 16, 2022, as approved by the Committee on Aging.

Kenneth Epley, Chair

Bridget Cooney, Staff Liaison