

**CITY OF SAN LEANDRO
SENIOR COMMISSION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
13909 EAST 14TH STREET**

Meeting convened at 10:05am.

PRESENT

Commissioners, Almonte, Anderson, Basuino, Comelo, Daevu, Frates, Plankenhorn, Tamura, Woycheshin, Secretary Atienza, and Recreation and Human Services Director, Jeanette Dong.

ABSENT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF NOVEMBER 19, 2015, MEETING

MSC (Anderson/Comelo) to approve the agenda as submitted. (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 15, 2015

MSC (Anderson/Tamura) to approve the minutes as submitted. (9 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent)

GUEST PRESENTATION

Rose Johnson, from Davis Street Family Resource Center, provided an update to the Commission regarding homelessness in the community. She reported that there has been an increase in homeless individuals seeking shelter facilities and services, including dental and mental health services. She informed the Commission that City Council has formed a Homeless and Housing Task Force to address homelessness in San Leandro. Additionally, she mentioned that a warming shelter is to open during the winter months at First United Methodist Church on Bancroft Avenue.

Kati Knox, from Purple Cities, shared a presentation received from the City of Riverside, which included their campaign to become a dementia-friendly community. Additionally, information was provided to the Committee regarding the City of Riverside's model of creating a Dementia-Friendly City Task Force.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Jo Knueven noted that she appreciated the Hospice and Palliative Care event that took place in October 2015, and suggested that the Commission consider repeating the event.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioners received an updated City Council, Boards and Commissions, and City Officials Roster. Additionally, Commissioners received a calendar of meetings and events, January-September Recreation Attendance Reports, and a Facilities Usage Report.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

Secretary Atienza reported:

- Reminded the Commission that the Thanksgiving Luncheon was to take place on November 25, 2015. Commissioner attendance was confirmed and registration numbers were announced.
- Reminded the Commission that the Senior Holiday Tea event will take place on December 17, 2015.
- Informed the Commission that there has been a decline in flu shot participation over the past three years, which may be due to many other locations offering the flu shot at low to no cost.
- Reminded the Commission that the next Foot Care Clinic was to take place on December 7, 2015.
- Announced that two paratransit focus group meeting dates were scheduled for December 8, 2015 and January 13, 2016 in an effort to expand services with the funding available with the passage of Measure BB.
- Announced that San Leandro Adult School On-Site Registration was to take place on December 1, 2015.
- Announced that there were many classes starting their December class sessions, including Simply Fit with Peggy, Yoga for Health, and Ceramics.
- Reviewed the Duarte's Poinsettias and Fruit Yard Lunch trip, and discussed upcoming trips and events, including the Great Dicken's Christmas Fair, Academy of Sciences, and the Travel Troupe Meeting to be held on January 7, 2016.
- Announced upcoming Community Education Programs, including The Friendship Line, When to Call 911, and Creating a Secure Future with Advance Healthcare Directives.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

County of Alameda Advisory Commission on Aging

(Meets: 2nd Monday of the Month, Eastmont Mall, 3rd Fl., Dept. of Aging Serv.)

No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hospice Information Forum Review – The Commission agreed that the forum was successful with 20 people attending, and that the event helped to take the fear out of hospice and palliative care. Secretary Atienza informed the group that she would bring evaluation notes from the event to the next Commission meeting.

Adult Day Care Update – Commissioner Comelo informed the Commission that a potential facility for adult day care had been visited with a positive response, and inquired about funding for this type of project.

NEW BUSINESS

The Commission decided to not hold a meeting for the month of December 2015, and to resume monthly meetings on January 21, 2016. MSC (Basuino/Comelo) to approve the cancellation of the December 2015 meeting. (6 Ayes, 1 Nays, 2 Absent)

REPORT OF CHAIR

Chair Woycheshin shared information surrounding Medicare paying for end-of-life discussions with doctors beginning January 1, 2016. Chair Woycheshin also welcomed new Secretary Diane Atienza.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Basuino mentioned that the two presentations provided earlier in the meeting were very informative. Additionally, Commissioner Basuino provided feedback to the City of San Leandro to increase advertising for senior programs.

Commissioner Frates thanked Commissioner Daevu for her role in the Hospice and Palliative Care Forum, and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Plankenhorn agreed with Commissioner Basuino to increase efforts in advertising senior programs, including advertising at coffee shops.

Commissioner Daevu requested that Secretary Atienza ask the city's ADA Coordinator to attend the next Commission meeting to discuss ADA room requirements.

Commissioner Comelo enjoyed the meeting and wished her fellow Commissioners a Happy Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Tamura welcomed Secretary Diane Atienza. She also mentioned that the Hospice and Palliative Care Forum was very informative.

ADJOURNMENT

MSC (Comelo/Tamura) to Adjourn the meeting at 11:52 a.m. (7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent [Commissioners Almonte and Anderson left early])

Respectfully Submitted,
Secretary Diane Atienza