



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGING

Wednesday, June 15, 2016, 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: Margot Allen, Shirley Cressey, Kenneth Epley, Mark Guthrie, Jennifer Haller, Janet James, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Steve Lipson, and Nola Veganes Chavez

Excused: Kim Marlia, Callie Major, Joanna Kim Selby, Karen Christian and Kimi Honda

Guest: Katherine Cesa, Lori Teachout

Council Liaison: Janet Abelson

Staff Liaisons: Janet Bilbas

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jennifer Haller moved, and Dr. Pansy Kwong seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No comments.

3. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Janet Abelson reported to the Committee:

- A. Abelson reported at the last Council meeting discussion continued about the proposed marijuana dispensary at the old Taco Bell near Home Depot. Discussion continued about the Marijuana initiative on the November ballot and how it will affect El Cerrito. Council directed staff to prepare steps for marijuana dispensary applicants. She announced that the proposed budget was presented to council and will be approved at a future meeting. She stated that a housing development is proposed for the used car lot at Central and San Pablo Avenue.

Janet Bilbas reported on four upcoming items at the Open House Senior Center:

1. There was a two day Pickle Ball Tournament June 11-12 which was attended by seniors from as far as Sacramento.
2. The Clipper Card workshop was attended by about 40 seniors.
3. There will be shuttle from the old Safeway to the 4th of July celebration at Cerrito Vista Park.
4. Living with Low Vision Wednesday, August 24, 2016
5. MTC (Metropolitan Transportation Commission) has granted San Pablo, Richmond and El Cerrito funds to Train Travel Trainers, who will teach seniors how to use public transportation.

4. REPORTS

- A. **Housing Subcommittee** – Janet James reported on upcoming talks at Eskaton Hazel Shirley Manor Foot Care, Hearing, Flu Shots and Wound Care. Also, there will be an escort ride service for medical appointments and grocery shopping.
- B. **Transportation Subcommittee** – Shirley Cressey explained AC Transit’s upcoming November ballot measure.
- C. **Legislative (State & Federal)** – Dr. Pansy Kwong explained the End of Life Law that went into effect in January 2016, in California.
- D. **Area Agency on Aging Advisory**– NO REPORT
- E. **West County Senior Coalition (WCSC)** – Jennifer Haller announced a workshop, Scam Stopper, at Maple Hall, San Pablo, on Monday June 20, 2016.
- F. **Health Care Subcommittee** – Dr. Kwong announced that Alta Bates will be closing in 2030.
- G. **Membership** – Shirley Cressey moved to approve the Committee on Aging membership of Katherine Cesa. Nola Veganes Chavez seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- H. **Guest Speaker Subcommittee** –NO REPORT
- I. **Technology**-NO REPORT

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

1. Shirley Cressey will contact Julie Waters with AC Transit
2. WORK PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

ADJOURNED REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING at 4:40PM

Janet Bilbas will be on vacation next month. She reminded committee members to let staff know if they will be unable to attend the July meeting.

Next scheduled regular meeting on Wednesday July 20, 2016 at 3:00 P.M. at the El Cerrito City Hall, Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue.

Submitted by:
Janet Bilbas
Senior Services Supervisor
City of El Cerrito Senior Services Division

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call Janet Bilbas, Staff Liaison at (510) 559-7677. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28 CFR 35.102-35.104 ADA Title II).

COMMUNICATION ACCESS INFORMATION

To request a meeting agenda in large print, Braille, or on cassette, or to request a sign language interpreter for the meeting, call Janet Bilbas, Staff Liaison at (510) 559-7677 at least FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS NOTICE PRIOR TO THE MEETING to ensure availability.

6500 Stockton Avenue, El Cerrito, CA 94530 Tel. (510) 559-7677
E-mail: jbilbas@ci.el-cerrito.ca.us