



Recreation Department Senior Services Division

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF
OF

COMMITTEE ON AGING

Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 3:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, City Hall

10890 San Pablo Avenue

El Cerrito, CA 94530

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ROLL CALL

Present: Karen Christian, Shirley Cressey, Mark Guthrie, Kimi Honda, Janet James, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Callie Major, Kim Marlia, and Nola Veganes Chavez

Excused: Lillian Daniels, Willa Sudduth, Jonna Kim Selby and Vera Gibbs Winston

Council Liaison: Janet Abelson

Staff Liaisons: Janet Bilbas

Guest: Roger Schmidt, Steve Lipson, Jennifer Haller, Ellie Corley, Kristen Pursley and Kenneth Epley

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of December 17, 2014 approved with corrections.

2. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Councilwoman Abelson reported that council is in discussion about the new smoking ordinance dealing with rules about selling cigarettes and tobacco paraphernalia in El Cerrito. Councilwoman Abelson also reported on the Arts and Cultural Commission that in the future they will be offering free music and dance programs in El Cerrito

Ms. Bilbas reported updates on programs at the senior center and special events:

- Sunday, February 8, 2015 3pm-5pm Family Sweetheart Dance
- Wednesday, February 25, 2015 1:15pm-2:15pm Toolbox for navigating a loved one's care
- Wednesday, March 11, 2015 1:15pm-2:15pm Remodeling one's house to be able to age in place
- Sunday, May3, 2015 1pm-4pm El Cerrito Senior Center / Historical Society presents: Big Band Era Tea Dance

3. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC - No speakers.

4. PROGRAM PRESENTATION: Communities Organized to Support Adult School (COSAS)

Kristen Pursley, Communities Organized to Support Adult School, provide update on proposed budget cuts to Adult Schools.

(Christian / Cressey) Moved and seconded

Motion is to authorize writing letter to council for approval in support of continuing funding for older adult programs in the California state budget. Also, to be sent to Governor Jerry

Brown, Senator Loni Hancock and Assemblyman Tony Thurmond and to setup an appointment to deliver letters to Senator, Loni Hancock and Assemblyman, Tony Thurmond.

Action: Approved 8 yes 1 no.

5. REPORTS

- A. **Housing Subcommittee** – Janet James shared information on a health fair January 11, 2015, at 2014 at Eskaton Hazel Shirley Manor.
- B. **Transportation Subcommittee** – No report.
- C. **Legislative (State & Federal)** – No report.
- D. **Area Agency on Aging Advisory**– No report.
- E. **West County Senior Coalition (WCSC)** – No report.
- F. **Health Care Subcommittee** – No report.
- G. **Membership** – Shirley Cressey moved to nominate Ms. Jennifer Haller for membership to the Committee on Aging. Karen Christain seconded the motion. **Action:** Approved unanimously.
- H. **Guest Speaker Subcommittee** – Ms. Veganes Chavez and Mr. Mark Guthire spoke about future talk dealing with travel and brain games.

6. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- 7. **ADJOURNED REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING** at 4:30PM to the next scheduled regular meeting on Wednesday, February 18 , 2015, 3:00 P.M. at the El Cerrito City Hall, Council Chambers, 10890 San Pablo Avenue.

Submitted by:

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City of El Cerrito Senior Services Division

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