



Recreation Department Senior Services Division

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
OF

COMMITTEE ON AGING

Wednesday, February 20, 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: Shirley Cressey, Kenneth Epley, Steve Lipson, Kim Marlia, Margot Allen, Nola Veganas Chavez, Callie Major, Kimi Honda, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Joanna Kim Selby, and Karen Christian

Excused: Mark Guthrie, Janet James, and Jennifer Haller

Council Liaison: Janet Abelson

Staff Liaisons: Janet Bilbas

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved by Dr. Pansy Kwong, Seconded by Margot Allen

2. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Janet Abelson reported on two topics to the Committee:

- A. At the City Council meeting on Tuesday February 19, 2016 there was continued discussion on the topic of the minimum wage ordinance as it pertains to sick leave. Since the State does not yet have a ruling on the issue, City Council decided to delay their ruling.
- B. Police Chief Sylvia Moir will be leaving the city, effective March 1, 2016 to take a position in Arizona. A lunch will be held in her honor at the Mira Vista Country Club on Friday March 4, 2016. All interested parties can attend for a fee of \$25.
 - a. For the time being Captain Paul Keith has been named Acting Interim Police Chief.
 - b. The hiring of a new Police Chief has not been announced; the process is conducted by City Manager.

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

- A. Travel Faire February 24, 2016
- B. Digestion March 9, 2016
- C. Volunteer Dinner May 3, 2016; formal invitations to be sent out soon
- D. Pickle Ball Tournament June 11-12, 2016; to be held at the new El Cerrito High School tennis courts
- E. Happening now until April 14, 2016 AARP Tax Aide; free simple taxes, no questions asked at reservation time

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

NO REPORT

4. REPORTS

A. Housing Subcommittee – NO REPORT

B. Transportation Subcommittee – NO REPORT

C. Legislative (State & Federal) – NO REPORT

D. Area Agency on Aging Advisory– Main focus of the meeting had been on nutrition and Meals on Wheels. A separate discussion was started on the topic of the lack of easily accessible healthcare in our immediate area for those who are Medicare or Medi-Cal; since Doctor's Hospital closed most ambulances transport to Walnut Creek, Martinez, etc.

E. West County Senior Coalition (WCSC) – Had a meeting but Carpenter was absent due to medical reasons. Upcoming Ombudsman volunteer training program. Asking that volunteers commit to 1 year with once a month meetings.

F. Health Care Subcommittee – NO REPORT

G. Membership – Still one vacancy left.

H. Guest Speaker Subcommittee – Proposed by Dr. Kwong to have Kristen Pursley come to the next meeting and talk about Assembly Bill 1846 Adult education consortium program.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

1. Someone from the City talk to the Committee about the process/prospects of a new senior center.
 - a. March 3, 2016 City Council meeting: Library will be on the agenda; any who wants to see the progress/process in relation to how it might go for a senior center.
2. Vote to amend bi-laws then send to City Hall after April elections.
3. Elections: nominate; vote will take place at the April meeting.
4. Review subcommittees and staffing

ADJOURNED REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING

Next scheduled regular meeting on Wednesday, March 16, 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

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