



**Recreation Department**

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**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON AGING**

**Wednesday, July 21, 2021, at 3 p.m.**

VIA TELECONFERENCE

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**3:00 p.m. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING** Chair Epley called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Chair Kenneth Epley; Vice Chair Pamela Wagner; Members Buddy Akacic, Carol Kehoe, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Steve Lipson (joined at 3:20 p.m.), Kim Marlia, Bruce Yow

**Absent:** Members Katherine Cesa, Janet James, Joanna Kim-Selby, David Van Etten

**Also Present:** Janet Abelson, Council Liaison; Bridget Cooney, Staff Liaison

**Members from the Public:** None

**2. COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Chair Epley announced that member Shirley Cressey resigned from the Committee on Aging and thanked her for her service.*

*Member Akacic announced upcoming Senior Strolls. Member Akacic also announced that the former Senior Center Discussion Group resumed meeting at Hana Gardens Apartments on Fridays.*

**3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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

**4. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**

Council Liaison Abelson reported that Council passed the budget for 2021-22 fiscal year. There was a presentation by the Fire Department and East Bay Mud about Fire Prevention and Fire Abatement at the July 20<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

Member Dr. Kwong requested a list of major changes made to balance the 2021-22 budget including any major city services that were diminished. Council Liaison Abelson reported that changes included continued furloughs for some staffing classifications, pay increases on hold, closing Midtown Activity Center and limited older adult programming moving forward.

**5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Moved/Second:** Member Kehoe/Vice Chair Wagner

**Action:** Adopted the minutes with corrections from the Committee meeting on **June 16, 2021**

**Ayes:** 7 **Nos:** None **Abstention:** 1

**6. RECREATION DEPARTMENT SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE**

*Due to a scheduling conflict, Recreation Director, Christopher Jones was unable to*

h) *Transportation: Vice Chair Wagner reported that beginning August 2<sup>nd</sup>, BART will be running more frequent trains. In the month of September, BART fares will offer discounted fares to encourage riders to use the service. Vice Chair Wagner also reported that the Richmond Ferry is currently offering discounted fares.*

**11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 3pm
- Motion to Adopt the FY2021-22 Workplan Goals and Working Group Assignments. (August)
- Seniors and Social Media presentation by David Van Etten – TBD

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Kenneth Epley adjourned the meeting at 5:02 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 July 21, 2021, as approved by the Committee on Aging.

*Kenn Epley* dated 17 Sept 2021

Kenneth Epley, Chair

*Bridget Cooney*  
Bridget Cooney, Staff Liaison