



Recreation Department

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

Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 3 p.m.

VIA TELECONFERENCE

3:02 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, Katherine Cesa, Janet James, Carol Kehoe, Dr. Pansy Kwong, Steve Lipson, Kim Marlia, Bruce Yow

Absent:

Also Present: Bridget Cooney, Staff Liaison and Janet Abelson, City Council Liaison

Members from the Public: Barbara Goldstein

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

3. COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Member Kehoe announced upcoming speakers at the Christ Lutheran Senior Center on January 24 and 31, 2022.

Member Akacic announced the Senior Seminar Strollers awarded their second annual Senior of the Year award to Liesel Tillis.

Member Akacic reported attendance at the annual Martin Luther King Jr. parade in El Cerrito on Monday, January 17, 2022, and recognized the contribution of the Human Relations Committee in putting on this event.

Member Akacic reported that there are vacancies on the Environmental Quality Committee and encouraged Committee on Aging members interested to apply.

4. COUNCIL/STAFF LIAISONS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Reports by Councilmember Abelson and/or staff on matters of general interest to the Committee on Aging, Council policies, priorities and significant action taken by City Council.

Councilmember Abelson reported that City Hall has closed the building to the public and staff are working remotely due to the surge in COVID cases. In person assistance is available at City Hall by appointment. Online transactions are also available.

Councilmember Abelson reported that the Recycling Center and Recreation Departments are operating with modified office hours open to the public.

Councilmember Abelson encouraged Committee on Aging members to wear N95 or

KN95 masks.

5. COMMITTEE ON AGING LIAISON ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

Liaisons for the Advisory Council on Aging and the West County Senior Coalition report on matters of interest to the Committee on Aging. Reports limited to three minutes per group.

Member Lipson reported attendance at the meeting on January 19, 2022.

Member Lipson reported that Joanna Kim-Selby resigned from the Committee leaving an open city representative spot in West County. Staff Liaison Cooney is working with the City Clerk regarding the appointment of a new Liaison for the Committee on Aging.

Member Lipson reported the Advisory Council on Aging is working on a program to give away iPads to seniors.

Member Kehoe reported the next West County Senior Coalition meeting is February 9, 2022.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved/Second: Member Kehoe Moved/Member James Second

Action: Adopted the minutes with corrections from the Committee meeting on **November 17, 2021**

Ayes: Chair Epley, Vice Chair Wagner, Member Akacic, Member Cesa, Member James, Member Kehoe, Member Dr. Kwong, Member Lipson, Member Marlia, Member Yow

Nos: None

Abstention: None

7. STATUS OF OLDER ADULT EDUCATION IN CALIFORNIA

Member Lipson provided the committee with updates to changes in the state educational codes that affect adult education.

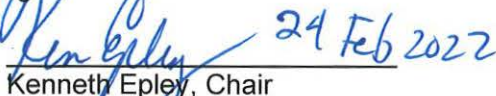
8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS


- Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 16, 2022
- Annual re-organization of the Committee on Aging: April 2022
- Annual Work Plan accomplishments & goal setting for 2022/23: May/June 2022

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kenneth Epley adjourned the meeting at 3:50 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 January 19, 2022, as approved by the Committee on Aging.


Kenneth Epley, Chair


Bridget Cooney, Staff Liaison