

MINUTES  
Senior Services Commission  
6/10/25

A. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 10:00 a.m. a regular meeting was convened at the Oxnard Joslyn Lawn Bowls Clubhouse, 350 North C Street, Oxnard, CA 93030.

Commissioners present: Linda Calderon, Gloria Massey-Chinea, LaRita Montgomery, Gloria Postel, and Alice Sweetland.

Commissioners absent: None

Staff members present: Pam Morrison, Recreation Manager; Marisue Eastlake, Recreation Supervisor; and Jorge Cruz; Recreation Coordinator.

Chairperson Alice Sweetland presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the meeting of May 13, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of prior meeting minutes.

ACTION: Commissioner Postel moved to approve the minutes; Commissioner Massey-Chinea seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

D. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Presentation by Laura Lindsay with Love on a Leash, a non-profit organization offering pet therapy for those in need of comfort and stress relief.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission receive and file the presentation, with a better understanding of the value of pet therapy for seniors.

DISCUSSION: Laura Lindsay gave information on the benefits of pet therapy and the availability of the same in the senior centers.

2. SUBJECT: Report by Chair Sweetland on Ventura County Area Agency on Aging (VCAAA) Advisory Committee business.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission receive and file the report.

DISCUSSION: Chair Sweetland provided an update on the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging, including its new location, and passed out nomination forms for the annual Legacy Award.

#### E. AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Ad-Hoc Committee Report on Technology Education Goal  
RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission discuss the progress of the Cyber Seniors program. Members: Commissioners Gloria Massey China and Gloria Postel.  
DISCUSSION: Commissioners shared the program continues to be successful.  
ACTION: Report was received.
2. SUBJECT: Ad-Hoc Committee Report on Center Signage and Accessibility Goal  
RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission discuss potential locations of signage for Senior Services facilities at the South Oxnard Center. Members: Commissioners Linda Calderon and Gloria Postel.  
DISCUSSION: Commissioners discussed sign location.  
ACTION: Report was received.
3. SUBJECT: Ad-Hoc Committee Report on Creation of Senior Housing List Goal  
RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission receive and discuss standardized questions for gathering information on housing in Oxnard. Members: Commissioner Gloria Postel and Chair Alice Sweetland.  
DISCUSSION: Commissioner Sweetland shared a list the committee had started and Commissioners made suggestions on additional information to collect.  
ACTION: Report was received.
4. SUBJECT: Ad-Hoc Committee Report on Monthly Health Presentation Goal  
RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission receive a report on monthly health presentation speakers and the evaluation form selected. Members: Commissioners Linda Calderon and LaRita Montgomery.  
DISCUSSION: Rec Coordinator Cruz shared about presentations being made for Alzheimer's Awareness month.  
ACTION: Report was received.

#### F. REPORT OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARY

1. SUBJECT: Report from Staff on Senior Services Programs and Events for May and June.  
RECOMMENDATION: That the Senior Services Commission receive and file the report.

Cruz reported that in May, 1,800 home-delivered meals and 1,944 congregate meals were served. He reviewed past month events, including Father's Day celebrations at each center and a new monthly Afternoon at the Cinema. Eastlake shared the City had received the RSVP grant and she had started work on a new program. There is proposed Measure O funding for ADA improvements at Wilson Center. She updated Commissioners on VCAA appointments, a TCMBB refresher and progress on a new floor for Wilson Center.

G. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Montgomery invited fellow commissioners to attend the Juneteenth celebration on June 21. Commissioner Calderon shared Oxnard PD officers have dementia training.

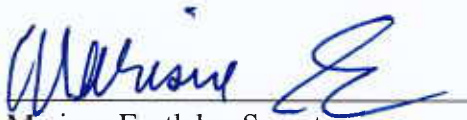
H. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

None.

Commissioner Massey-China left the meeting at 12:17pm.

I. ADJOURNMENT

At 12:20 p.m., Commissioner Postel moved to adjourn and Commissioner Calderon seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

  
Marisue Eastlake, Secretary

  
Alice Sweetland, Chairperson