

SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION

Minutes

Regular Meeting

May 14, 2013

The Senior Services Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Rowe at 9:05 a.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: K. Brainard, A. Esparza, R. Fischer, N. Kobashigawa, A. Madrid, N. Rowe, A. Sweetland, L. Villareal Yu

Commissioners absent: None

Staff Present: G. Barnes, Interim Recreation Supervisor
M. Eastlake, RSVP Director
R. Tilford, Assistant City Attorney
D. Estrada, Senior Nutrition Coordinator

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Sweetland moved for approval of the April 9, 2013 minutes;
Commissioner Fischer seconded. Motion passed.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

Debbie Estrada, Senior Nutrition Program Coordinator, introduced Cole Vocational Services staff and clients. Chair Rowe and Vice Chair Esparza recognized and thanked them for delivering senior nutrition meals daily to Colonia Senior Center.

E. PRESENTATION

Commissioner Fischer gave a report on FOOD Share. Sandy Nirenberg, Executive Director of Camarillo Hospice, provided an overview of her agency's programs and services.

F. OLD BUSINESS

Chair Rowe said the Rose Garden Committee, comprised of herself and commissioners Sweetland and Kobashigawa, had been actively meeting on creating a rose garden group and holding an open house for the community. She asked commissioners to volunteer for the Bylaws Committee, which will review the commission bylaws and consider new items to incorporate into them. Commissioners Yu and Sweetland will serve on the committee.

G. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Rowe read the proposed amendment to the February 12, 2013 minutes, reflecting more detail about the presentation made by Ms. Dang on that date. Commissioner Fischer moved to amend the minutes as provided in the agenda; Commissioner Brainard seconded. Motion was approved.

Greg Barnes gave commissioners an update on the Senior Legends Games taking place in May and invited commissioners to several future special events, including the 31st Festival of Talent at SOC, a July 3 Independence Day celebration at Wilson Senior Center and a Luau planned in August.

Marisue Eastlake updated commissioners on RSVP activities, including an application made for a grant to fund a veterans program.

Chair Rowe discussed the importance of the FEMA family emergency plan as well as the POLST form and advanced care directives. Michael Williams, executive director of Grey Law, gave further information about advanced directives.

The Commission skipped to discussion of Subcommittee Business and Future Agenda Items as Chair Rowe had to leave early, then returned to the final item under New Business.

H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

There was no report on the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging meeting. Chair Rowe announced the Rose Garden Committee is planning a tea in the garden in June or July.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

Chair Rowe suggested the Commission hold an appreciation barbecue for City Corps members in June to thank them for their help with Senior Services' many events.

G. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioners reviewed a report from Lauterbach & Associates as it related to a new senior center. Barnes said any building diagrams in the report were not final, and noted the report would be on the Oxnard Parks and Recreation Commission agenda on May 22 and suggested Senior Services Commissioners might also attend. He hopes to bring a final report to the City Council in July. If it moves forward from Council, the next step will be holding public workshops to collect more input.

Chair Rowe left at 10:20 a.m.

Commissioners discussed funding issues related to a new center. Steve Nash, a member of the public, suggested commissioners consider applying for CDBG funds.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Fischer and seconded by Commission Brainard.
Motion passed; meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.