

SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION

Minutes Regular Meeting July 9, 2013

The Senior Services Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Rowe at 9:04 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

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Madrid moved for approval of the June 9, 2013 minutes; Commissioner Brainard seconded. Motion passed.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

Commissioner Madrid helped Wilson Senior Center Director Fernando Garcia honor three Wilson Senior Center volunteers: Butch Hernandez and Armand and Pauline Escalante.

Commissioner Madrid left the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

E. PRESENTATION

Commissioner Sweetland provided a report on CAREGIVERS: Volunteers Assisting the Elderly. Diana Cooley, with the Oxnard Senior Vegetable Garden, also provided information about the garden.

F. OLD BUSINESS

Chair Rowe said there were no developments on the Senior Dance or appreciation barbecue for City Corps.

G. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioners discussed whether the whole Commission should visit local senior centers to gather information or to appoint an ad hoc committee. It was decided Commissioners Brainard, Kobashigawa and Esparza will form a subcommittee to visit the sites and report back on findings.

H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

Chair Rowe reported the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging is conducting an outreach program focused on senior nutrition and access to food. Commissioner Sweetland reported work is progressing on preparing the garden for the planned July 17 Garden Tea Party. The Rose Garden Subcommittee is working on an event program. Marisue Eastlake reported on the National Conference on Volunteering and Service and shared recent research findings on volunteering as a pathway to employment.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

Commissioners requested a discussion regarding moving the meeting into City Council chambers.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Fischer and seconded by Vice Chair Esparza.
Motion passed; meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.