

SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION

Minutes – Corrected

February 10, 2015

Chair Sweetland called the Senior Services Commission meeting to order at 9:06 A.M. City Clerk Daniel Martinez swore in all Senior Services Commissioners.

A. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: K. Brainard, R. Fischer, K. Lanker, A. Madrid,
C. Owens, A. Sweetland, D. Thibeault, L. Villareal
Yu

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present: G. Barnes, Interim Recreation Supervisor
M. Eastlake, RSVP Director
R. Rakestraw, Recreation Coordinator
R. Tilford, Deputy City Attorney
D. Zuniga, Program Coordinator

Following roll call, Commissioners introduced themselves as there were two new commissioners.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Fischer moved approval of the January 13, 2015 minutes. Commissioner Thibeault seconded. AYES: Brainard, Fischer, Madrid, Sweetland, Thibeault, Yu. NOS: none ABSENT: none. ABSTAIN: Lanker, Owens.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

D. CEREMONIAL CALENDAR

Renee Rakestraw thanked Terry Jimenez for her volunteer service at the Palm Vista Senior Center.

E. PRESENTATION

Lynn Ryder, a volunteer attorney with Grey Law, discussed the services provided by that organization. The presentation by Catholic Charities was rescheduled to a future meeting.

F. OLD BUSINESS

Greg Barnes told commissioners the grant that includes work on the Wilson Park restroom was before the City Council for consideration. City Facilities Maintenance staff met recently with Ventura County staff to discuss requirements and improvements to the Wilson Senior Center kitchen.

Commissioners reviewed their annual report to the City Council, which is scheduled for February 24, 2015.

F. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Fischer nominated Chair Sweetland for commission chairperson for 2015. Commissioner Owens seconded. AYES: Brainard, Fischer, Lanker, Madrid, Owens, Sweetland, Thibeault, Yu. NOS: none ABSENT: none. ABSTAIN: none.

Commissioner Madrid nominated Commissioner Brainard as vice chair. Commissioner Owens seconded. AYES: Brainard, Fischer, Lanker, Madrid, Owens, Sweetland, Thibeault, Yu. NOS: none ABSENT: none. ABSTAIN: none.

Interim Oxnard Housing Director Carrie Sabatini spoke about the process to distribute CDBG, HOME and HESG grant funding for FY15-16, and asked for a Commission representative to serve on the review panel for same. Vice Chair Brainard moved, Commissioner Madrid seconded that Chair Sweetland be the representative and Commissioner Owens be the alternate. AYES: Brainard, Fischer, Lanker, Madrid, Owens, Sweetland, Thibeault, Yu. NOS: none ABSENT: none. ABSTAIN: none.

Renee Rakestraw provided updates on recent Senior Services programs and events, including the start of safety and security presentations at the senior centers and the initiation of social media classes at the South Oxnard Center. Marisue Eastlake shared that 575 RSVP members had recorded over 78,000 hours of service in 2014 and invited commissioners to the 2015 RSVP Volunteer Recognition Luncheon.

H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS / COMMISSION BUSINESS

Vice Chair Brainard reported she made a presentation regarding Commission activity at the Inter-Neighborhood Council Forum in early February. She said she will be available to attend each Neighborhood Council meeting to share the same information.

Commissioner Madrid shared information on potential publicity avenues, including that VIDA will give Senior Services space in which to list activities each month.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Madrid requested to discuss making Campus Park into a senior friendly facility.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 A.M.