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CITY OF OXNARD
SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

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Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 9:01 a.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: L. Montgomery, J. Nevitt, C. Owens, A. Sweetland

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: J. Cruz, Recreation Coordinator
M. Eastlake, Recreation Supervisor
R. Rakestraw, Assistant Director, CCS Department

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the Senior Services Commission meeting from February 8, 2022. Commissioner Owens moved to approve the minutes; Commissioner Montgomery seconded. Motion approved.

AYES: Montgomery, Nevitt, Owens, Sweetland.

NOS: none.

ABSENT: none.

ABSTAIN: none.

E. REPORT OF COMMISSION SECRETARY

Renee Rakestraw reported all facilities have reopened.

F. PRESENTATION TO THE COMMISSION

1. SUBJECT: Presentation by Catholic Charities on services provided to Oxnard senior residents. Lisa Nagy made a presentation on Catholic Charities' OASIS (Older Adult Services and Intervention System) program and the many services they provide.

2. SUBJECT: Presentation by Braille Institute on services provided to Oxnard senior residents. Commissioners heard a presentation from Tracy Alfino on services offered by Braille Institute, including classes in our senior centers.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Senior Services Programs and Events. Jorge Cruz shared the Senior Nutrition Program meal count for February: 1,444 congregate meals and 1,870 home delivered meals. He noted anticipated changes in the availability of food from the supplier, which might limit upcoming menus. Youth from the Rio Vista Junior City Corps made Valentine's Day cards for seniors. Each center will celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Marisue Eastlake reminded Commissioners of the upcoming drive-through appreciation for RSVP's volunteers. The continuation RSVP grant is due the next day and has an emphasis on COVID-19 recovery along with diversity, inclusion, equity and accessibility. With the reopening of the senior centers, RSVP classes have restarted.

H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Ventura County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council - Commissioner Owens, Commissioner Sweetland. Commissioner Sweetland reported on activities of the Optimal Aging Committee.

2. New Senior Center - Commissioner Nevitt, Commissioner Owens. Commissioner Owens shared the feasibility study is still in progress with community interviews being completed this week. The consultant will provide a report on findings on March 29. An RFP is being drafted for architectural services for the new senior center.

I. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Owens asked if there were any potential new commission members.

J. ITEMS OF FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Nothing to report.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Owens moved to adjourn; Commissioner Nevitt seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

AYES: Montgomery, Nevitt, Owens, Sweetland.

NOS: none.

ABSENT: none.

ABSTAIN: none.

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