

CITY OF OXNARD
SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

VIRTUAL <https://zoom.us/j/94850633963?pwd=cjRBUGkzSIFYZmxvcldphTnVJMGM3UT09>

Tuesday, January 12, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

A. ROLL CALL

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

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: J. Cruz, Recreation Coordinator
M. Eastlake, RSVP Director
R. Rakestraw, Community Services Manager

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the SSC meeting from November 10, 2020. Commissioner Owens moved approval; Commissioner Montgomery seconded. Motion approved.

AYES: Montgomery, Nevitt, Owens, Sweetland.

NOS: none.

ABSENT: Gallardo

ABSTAIN: none.

Commissioner Gallardo joined the meeting.

E. REPORT OF COMMISSION SECRETARY

Renee Rakestraw shared the holiday events which seniors held, and commissioners discussed the Christmas Shoebox Parade.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: 2021 Partner Agency Presentation Calendar. Commissioners discussed continuing partner visits to, in part, learn how they have adjusted services during the pandemic. They scheduled visits for the first three months of 2021 as follows:

AARP - Commissioner Sweetland

Action – Commissioner Gallardo

Alzheimer's – Commissioner Montgomery

American Cancer – Commissioner Nevitt

Assisted Home Health – Commissioner Owens
Braille Institute – Commissioner Sweetland
Department of Rehabilitation – Commissioner Sweetland

2. SUBJECT: 2021 Commission Goals. Commissioners tabled a discussion on goals until they had a full commission.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Senior Services Programs and Events. Jorge Cruz reviewed activities within the Senior Services programs, including congregate meals (110 people daily) and home-delivered meals (500 delivered weekly) as well as the Art2Go and outdoor art classes. He also shared information on special activities held for Veterans Day, a Thanksgiving meal and the Twelve Days of Christmas and future planned classes.

Marisue Eastlake gave an update on the TCMBB, Bone Builders and STOP programs. She discussed a potential federal augmentation and its use as well as a branding change at the federal level. All political appointees at AmeriCorps will step down 1/19. A new director has been chosen, but the name has not been disclosed.

H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Ventura County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council - Commissioner Owens, Commissioner Sweetland. Commissioner Sweetland shared that VCAAA has a very robust meal delivery program for seniors.

2. New Senior Center - Commissioner Brainard, Commissioner Nevitt, Commissioner Owens. Commissioner Nevitt discussed potential future funding and changing responsibilities related to the new senior center.

I. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Montgomery shared information on the MLK Day commemoration. Commissioners asked about the application process to fill empty Commission seats.

J. ITEMS OF FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Commissioner Sweetland asked for commission goals to be included on a future agenda.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Owens moved to adjourn; Commissioner Nevitt seconded.

AYES: Gallardo, Montgomery, Nevitt, Owens, Sweetland.

NOS: none.

ABSENT: none.

ABSTAIN: none.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

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