



City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes

Senior Advisory Commission

01/26/2026

5:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting
1303 Fremont Street
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Special Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Andrews called the regular meeting to order at 5:07 p.m

Present 5 - Chair Rick Andrews, Commissioner Kris Kapadia, Commissioner Rebecca Selden, Commissioner Alma Soto, and Commissioner Maria Vaz

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [26-57](#) Review and Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of November 17, 2025

Recommendation: Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of November 17, 2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Kapadia, seconded by Commissioner Selden to approve the minutes of November 17, 2025.

Aye: 5 - Chair Andrews, Commissioner Kapadia, Commissioner Selden, Commissioner Soto, and Commissioner Vaz

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Santa Clara Women's League member Wanda Buck, promoted Showtime 2026. The event will be held on March 6, 7, and 8. Tickets are on sale at santaclarawomensleague.org or at the door.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. [26-73](#) Elect Rick Andrews to serve as Chair for FY 2025/26 Senior Advisory Commission

Recommendation: Elect Rick Andrews to serve as Chair for FY 2025/26 Senior Advisory Commission

A motion was made by Commissioner Kapadia, seconded by Commissioner Soto to elect Rick Andrews as the Chair for FY 2025/26.

Aye: 5 - Chair Andrews, Commissioner Kapadia, Commissioner Selden, Commissioner Soto, and Commissioner Vaz

3. [26-58](#) Discuss Senior Advisory Commission Work Plan Goals and Activities for FY 2025/26

Recommendation: Discuss and develop Senior Advisory Commission Work Plan Goals and Activities for FY 2025/26.

Goal 1: Strategic Plan for the Senior Needs Assessment

- Commissioners reviewed the survey and found a typo on question #17
- Commissioners discussed section A of the Strategic Plan:
 - A. Circulate the Survey to the public
 - Mail -
 - Email Notification -
 - Channel 15 -
 - City-Wide Special Events -
 - Senior Center Newsletter
 - Radio Stations (SCU)
 - Tabling Opportunities
 - Senior Center
 - Fitness Center (Commissioner Kapadia)
 - Senior Nutrition Program (Commissioner Kapadia)
 - Health & Wellness Fair
 - Monthly BBQ's
 - Farmer's Markets
 - Movie Nights
 - Senior Living Facilities
 - Ellore (Commissioner Selden)

Valley Village (Commissioner Soto)
The Westmont
John Burns
Liberty Towers (Commissioner Soto)
Holiday Warburton Place
Priya Living
Pacific Gardens
Villa Serena
- Libraries

The Commission requested to purchase give-aways that they can handout when people take the survey. Staff will order items.

The Commission requested a sign-up sheet for the different tabling opportunities. Staff will create the sign-up sheet.

Goal 2: Advocate for Housing Regulations for Older Adults in Santa Clara.

A. Propose regulation modifications to protect Older Adults in rental properties.

- The Commission decided that they would wait for the results of the Senior Needs Assessment to assist them in determining the needs of regulation modifications.

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Supervisor Herb informed the Commission that the February Newsletter would be out at the end of January.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Selden invited the Commissioners to attend the Showtime Melodrama. Show dates are March 6, 7, and 8. Tickets are available at santaclarawomensleague.org or at the door.

Commissioner Soto reported on the following:

- She participated in a call from San Diego where they discussed a shuttle that was available for Older Adults.
- Commissioners Soto, Vaz, Kapadia, and Andrews attended the Super Bowl Flag Raising Ceremony, and had a great time.

Commissioner Vaz encouraged the Commissioners to watch her documentary from Brazil titled, "A Convenient Truth, " regarding public transportation.

Commissioner Kapadia reported that he'd like to see more Additional Dwelling Units (ADU) in Santa Clara, as well as shared an article about the gas appliance ban.

Commissioner Andrews complimented the City and the Parks & Recreation Department on the successful Holiday Tree Lighting event. It was well attended and organized. He congratulated the Tree Lighter, Wanda Buck.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Soto, seconded by Commissioner Kapadia that the meeting be adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Aye: 5 - Chair Andrews, Commissioner Kapadia, Commissioner Selden, Commissioner Soto, and Commissioner Vaz

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