

City of Santa Clara

Meeting Minutes Senior Advisory Commission

08/19/2024 5:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting Santa Clara Senior Center Room 205 1303 Fremont Street Santa Clara, CA 95050

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting was called to order by Chair Drozek at 5:03 p.m.

Present 7 - Chair Edmund Drozek, Vice Chair Tom Freitas, Commissioner Judy Hubbard, Commissioner Veena Sterling, Commissioner Rick Andrews, Commissioner Maria Vaz, and Commissioner Srinivasan Manivannan

CONSENT CALENDAR

24-675 Review and Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of June 24, 2024

Recommendation: Approve the Senior Advisory Commission Minutes of June 24, 2024

A motion was made by Commissioner Hubbard, seconded by Commissioner Andrews, to approve the minutes of June 24, 2024. The motion carries with the following vote.

Aye: 6 - Chair Drozek, Vice Chair Freitas, Commissioner Sterling, Commissioner Andrews, Commissioner Manivannan, and Commissioner Hubbard

Abstained: 1 - Commissioner Vaz

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None

GENERAL BUSINESS

2. 24-677 Senior Advisory Commission FY 2024/25 Work Plan & Goals Discussion

The Commission began brainstorming possible goals and various activities for the Commission Work Plan FY2024/25. They will continue their discussion at the September 23, 2024 meeting.

Brainstorming session topics:

Economics and Employment

- Encourage older adults to apply for employment opportunities at the Senior Center
- Promote employment for older adults

Community

- Accessibility for older adults in or at City activities or events

Housing

- Learn what is the difference between low income and affordable housing
 - Provide a presentation for community (resources)
- Learn what criteria are required when building an older adult living facility?

Outdoor Spaces and Buildings

- Publicize activities for older adult
 - Croquet
 - Cornhole
 - Bocce Ball
 - Local museums
 - Senior Center happenings
 - Game tables at parks

Transportation and Streets

- Learn about:
 - Bicycle lane
 - Crosswalk
 - Signal light timing
 - Signage
 - BPA
 - Curb-cut

Health, Wellness, and Nutrition

- Publicize food distribution point
- Free meals

Social and Civic Engagement

- Publicize computer classes
 - Presentations about social engagement
 - Engage with Santa Clara Women's League
 - Music opportunities

Access to Community Resources and Information

- Be involved in screening Exhibitors at the Health & Wellness Fair
- Educational presentations about resources

3. 24-676

Review the 2017 Senior Needs Assessment, Provide Input on Survey Content and Develop an Outreach Plan to Conduct a New Community Survey in 2024

Recommendation: Review the Senior Needs Assessment and provide feedback on content and outreach efforts to be incorporated into the development of a 2024 survey.

> The Commission reviewed the changes to the draft survey and provided additional changes for staff. Staff will make recommended changes and provide an updated survey at the September 23, 2024 meeting.

STAFF REPORT

Recreation Manager Kimberly Castro informed the Commission that the Parks & Recreation Master Plan outreach has begun and there will be a booth at the Art and Wine Festival on Saturday, September 14.

Recreation Supervisor Herb shared the following:

- The Senior Center BBQ will be on Thursday, August 22 from 12 1 p.m
- The Senior Center Ice Cream Social will be on Wednesday, August 2 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Vaz inquired about resources for un-housed individuals looking for showers and restrooms.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Vaz, seconded by Vice Chair Freitas that the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Aye: 7 - Chair Drozek, Vice Chair Freitas, Commissioner Sterling, Commissioner Andrews, Commissioner Vaz, Commissioner Manivannan, and Commissioner Hubbard

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