



CITY OF HEALDSBURG SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING – AGENDA

Healdsburg Senior Center
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Meeting Date: January 26, 2017
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Date Posted: January 23, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a) Welcome New Commissioners Larry Smith and Mary Fitzgerald and Returning Commissioner Denise Hunt
- b) Roll Call
- c) Changes (Deletions) from Agenda
- d) Approval of September 22, 2016 Minutes

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This time is set aside to receive comments from the public regarding matters of general interest not on the agenda, but related to Commission business. Pursuant to the Brown Act, however, the Commission cannot consider any issues or take action on any requests during this comment period.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Age Friendly Communities Update
- b) Transportation Update
- c) Housing Update

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Review of 2016 Goals; Discuss 2017 Goals
- b) 2017 Subcommittees and Assignments

5. COMMISSION REPORTS ON MATTERS OF INTEREST OCCURRING SINCE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING (Commission, Information Only)

6. INFORMATION AND REPORT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES ACTIVITIES (Staff, Information Only)

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a)
- b)
- c)

8. ADJOURNMENT Next meeting: February 23, 2017, 10:00am at the Healdsburg Senior Center (unless otherwise established)

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**CITY OF HEALDSBURG
SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**September 22, 2016
Healdsburg Senior Center
133 Matheson Street, Healdsburg, CA 95448**

The Senior Citizen Advisory Commission met in regular meeting session.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hunt called the regular meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.

1.a. Roll Call

Present Commissioners: Gervais, Helman, McMillan, Moore, Chairperson Hunt

Absent Commissioners: Sullens

Staff Present: Facilities and Events Supervisor Haskell, Recreation Coordinator Black, Office Assistant Salas

1.b. Changes (deletions) from Agenda

None

1.c. Approval of Minutes (August 25th, 2016)

Commissioner Moore asked that the Chairperson's name be changed from Chairperson Moore to Chairperson Hunt under the call to order section of the August 25, 2016 minutes.

On a motion by Commissioner McMillan, seconded by Commissioner Hunt, approved the August 25th, 2016 minutes with the changes noted above. The motion carried on a voice vote. (Ayes - 5, Noes -0, Absent –Sullens).

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

3. PRESENTATIONS

Sonoma County Area Agency on Aging "Art of Aging" Survey and Agency Overview (Diane Kaljian, Director of Adult and Aging Services for Sonoma County Human Services)

Coordinator Black introduced Diane Kaljian and Tracy Repp with the Sonoma County Area on Aging (AAA) who provided a presentation on their programs and services. Kaljian spoke about the services provided for older adults; which includes meals, legal assistance, volunteer driver programs, assistance with depression and mental health, as well as many other services. The program is part of a nationwide network with over 33 agencies in the State of California. The agency has a 21 member volunteer advisory council.

The services provided are free of charge to seniors in need of assistance. The agency is working on providing volunteer driver programs throughout the county. Chairperson Hunt shared that a survey demonstrated that transportation is a huge need for Healdsburg residents and it is something the Commission is looking to fulfill.

Kaljia's presentation displayed findings on a recent survey conducted for the older adult population in the county. The data obtained was collected from surveys and focus group meetings. Sonoma County has a higher concentration of seniors than other counties; there are 118,951 seniors over the age of 60 in the county. Twenty-three percent of the senior population in the county is within the Healdsburg area, which includes unincorporated areas of the city as well as the Windsor area.

Areas of concern to seniors are health care, accidents in the home, finances, transportation, knowledge or lack of knowledge about services and benefits available to them. The major concern among this population is being able to stay independent in their own homes. The presenters reviewed the senior population projections for the future and stated that the numbers of seniors are increasing because seniors are living longer.

Both Kaljia and Repp shared some of the goals the agency is working on:

1. Expand the awareness of available services and support for seniors, families, and caregivers.
2. Improve the health and well-being of seniors of all ages.
3. Strengthen the community's capacity to assess, plan for and respond to the increasing needs of Sonoma County's senior population.
4. Involve and engage seniors as a valuable resource in the community.

Kaljia mentioned that the agency has subcommittees, like transportation, legislative, planning and funding, etc., and many volunteer opportunities such as service providers, delivering meals, and volunteer driving programs.

Commissioners thanked the Kaljia and Repp for their presentation.

4. OLD BUSINESS

None

5. COMMISSION REPORTS ON MATTERS OF INTEREST OCCURRING SINCE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING (Commission, Information Only)

- a) **Subcommittee Reports and Recommendations**
 - i. **Housing: Hunt and McMillan**

Chairperson Hunt reported that the subcommittee has not met. She shared that the City is moving ahead with Housing Action Plan (HAP) which was approved by Council, and Measure R will be on the November ballot. She inquired whether SHARE would be providing a presentation to City Council.

ii. Endowment Fund: Helman and McMillan

The subcommittee was to meet prior to the meeting; however it was cancelled due to Director Themig's absence.

iii. Transportation: Moore and Sullens

Commissioners Moore, Sullens and Coordinator Black attended an Area Agency on Aging meeting on transportation. The Lyft program was discussed and licensing was being looked into. Another program that was talked about was Go, Go, Grandparent which is another version of a driver's program which was started by a young adult.

Black shared that AAA handed out transportation vouchers to Sebastopol, Petaluma and Cloverdale. The volunteer program in Cloverdale has not yet been established but they are currently trying to work towards that goal. Commissioners spoke about insurance policies and discussed how these will not cover you if you are using your vehicle for business purposes.

Hunt shared that the subcommittee is still looking at all the available options. Hunt reminded the group that Diane Kaljian (with AAA) had commented that Rohnert Park is looking to Petaluma People Services Center which is similar to the case in Healdsburg.

Moore spoke about transportation focus group meetings at the senior communities and she is waiting to hear whether those can be attended by the public.

b) Other

6. INFORMATION AND REPORT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES ACTIVITIES (Staff, Information Only)

Supervisor Haskell reported that the Senior Center is open and all the activities have relocated back to the Center with the exception of the Meals on Wheels program, and congregate dining. She invited the group to look at the new remodeled features. Black mentioned that the SRJC Watercolor class will be displaying artwork in the dining room very soon. Haskell informed the Commission that the demolition work at the Community Center has been completed, and they will start painting, and the project should be finalized in November. Haskell reminded the Commission about the Recognition Event that will take place at the Villa Chanticleer later this evening, Commissioners were encouraged to attend. The Senior Dinner will be taking place on Sunday, December 4th. Two community events will be taking place on Saturday, September 24th; Identity Theft Event will be taking place at the Community Center and the Foss Creek Clean-up will be taking place in the West Plaza. Coordinator Black added that a Flu Shot Day will be held at the Senior Center on October 14th from 11 to noon.

Commissioner Gervais exited the meeting at 11:54 a.m.

Commissioner Helman shared that she will be teaching a Label Reading 101 course on September 29th, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Center.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) **Age Friendly Sonoma County Initiative (October)**
- b) **Commissioner Terms**
- c)

8. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting: 10:00 A.M., Thursday, October 27, 2016 at the Healdsburg Senior Center (unless otherwise established)

There being no other business to discuss, on a motion by Commissioner McMillan, seconded by Commissioner Moore, adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m. The motion carried on a voice vote. (Ayes - 4, Noes -0, Absent –Gervais, Sullens)

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Denise Hunt, Chairperson

Elizabeth Haskell,
Facilities and Events Supervisor



HEALDSBURG SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION 2016 Goals and Subcommittee/Liaison Assignments

2016 Goals

1. Relevancy.
 - a. Increase communication to and from, the City Council, the public at large and community organizations and institutions on issues pertaining to the needs of older adults with an emphasis on senior programs and services.
 - b. Establish a liaison with the Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC) to work collaboratively on transportation issues that may be of importance to both commissions.
 - c. Establish a liaison with the Healdsburg Senior Center Volunteers, Inc. (Friends of the Senior Center) for the purposes of communication and developing coordinated support for the Senior Center and services for Healdsburg's older adult residents.
 - d. Establish a liaison with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to share information and work collaboratively on issues that may be of importance to both commissions.
 - e. Seek greater diversity in participation in the Commission.
2. Endowment Fund.
 - a. Establish a subcommittee to work with staff on evaluating options for the future or the Endowment Fund.
 - b. Develop and adopt a project list in collaboration with the Friends of the Senior Center that would qualify for use of the funds and consider evaluate seeking authorization to change the funds requirements.
 - c. Consider developing a fundraising initiative to support the fund long-term.
3. Transportation.
 - a. Establish a subcommittee to work with staff on evaluating options for transportation for older adults.
 - b. Develop an action plan/work plan that examines transportation options for older adults, including options for working with our neighboring communities, Sonoma County, and other non-profit and service organizations.
4. Housing.
 - a. Establish a subcommittee to monitor and represent housing issues for older adults through the City's Community Housing Committee, City Council, and other initiatives.
 - b. Develop an action plan/work plan for housing and home maintenance projects that will assist Healdsburg's older adults staying in their homes as long as possible.

Subcommittee and Liaison Assignments

Liaisons

- a. Transportation Advisory Commission: Moore
- b. Healdsburg Senior Center Volunteers (Friends of the Senior Center): Hunt
- c. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission: Hunt

Subcommittees

- a. Endowment Fund (Staff Leads: Lea Black/Mark Themig): Helman and McMillan
- b. Transportation (Staff Lead: Lea Black): Moore and Sullens
- c. Housing (Staff Lead: Mark Themig): Hunt and McMillan

(Adopted May 19, 2016)