

County of Santa Cruz



SENIORS COMMISSION

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ACTION MINUTES OF THE SENIORS COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: February 21, 2017
PLACE: RTC Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz CA 95060
PRESENT: Clyde Lawrence, Lynn McKibbin, Jeana De la Torre, Carol Childers, Charles Molnar, Harold Raphael
EXCUSED: None
ABSENT: Lou Tuosto
STAFF: Aimee Mangan, Coordinator
Guests: Clay Kempf, Mark Trabing, Grace Blakeslee, John Daugherty, Bonnie Linden

1. Agenda Review
2. Approval of Minutes for October 18, 2016 meeting
Motion/ Second: Childers/ Molnar. Passed unanimously.
3. Written Communications :
None
4. Oral Communications and Announcements
 - a.) John Daugherty (SCMTC Representative): presented February 15, 2017 Apology Letter to Santa Cruz METRO Customers. Daugherty shared that METRO text alerts are now available for interested patrons and that he is available to assist people in navigating METRO services. He can be contacted at 831-423-3868.
 - b.) Mark Trabing (Habitat for Humanity) discussed a new pilot program- ADUs (Accessory Dwelling Units) for Seniors that are on limited incomes within the City of Santa Cruz. He distributed brochures titled "The Keys to Aging in Place" that provide information about this pilot program.
5. Presentation –Bonnie Linden, Director of the TimeBank Santa Cruz provided an overview of TimeBank, including the ElderHands Program.
6. Presentation – Clay Kempf, Seniors Council
 - a.) A Solutions Summit overview and possible avenues for the Seniors Commission to support the Summit were provided. Summit date to be determined.
 - b.) Endorse and partner with Seniors Council on support.
Motion/ Second: Childers/ Molnar. Passed unanimously.
 - c.) Commissioners should invite their Supervisor and other key stakeholders.
 - d.) Seniors Nutrition Funds Talking Points distributed to Commissioners to advocate for statewide funding for services focusing on Senior Dining Centers and home delivered meals.
7. Regional Transportation Commission Unified Corridor Survey Update- Grace Blakeslee, RTC Spokesperson
Survey focuses on areas of congestion and asks survey takers to rank priority areas and

offer solutions.

8. Commissioners Reports – Vacancies.

- a.) Seniors Commissions Bylaws reviewed to ensure compliance with requirements when recruiting for current vacancies.
- b.) 1st District: Commissioner Molnar will be resigning after this meeting.
- c.) Commissioner Molnar shared that the California State Legislature identified their top ten State and top four Federal priorities.
- d.) Consideration of SB 202 – Medi-Cal: Personal Needs Support Allowance support. Motion/ Second: McKibbin/ De la Torre. Passed unanimously. Commissioner McKibbin will write support letter.
- e.) Commissioner Molnar stated Senior Bill in is legislature for special funding, and there will be a Hearing on March 2nd. Commissioners may contact Senator Monning to voice their support as individuals.
- f.) 2nd District: Welcome to new Commissioner De la Torre. Commissioner De la Torre attended and networked at Human Care Alliance meeting last week.
- g.) 3rd District: Commissioner Charles Levine recently resigned after years of service. Two vacancies in this District currently.
- h.) 5th District: All 5th District Commissioners were invited to a breakfast meeting with Supervisor McPherson which was well attended.
- i.) Commissioners McKibbin and Childers reported that Meals on Wheels had a successful fundraiser recently.

9. Retreat

- a.) Commissioner McKibbin provided an overview of past Retreats and the purpose of a future Retreat. August was identified as an ideal time for Commissioners to have a Retreat.
- c.) Adjournment at 3:25 pm and next meeting scheduled for April 18th, 2017.

Submitted:
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Commission Coordinator