



# MINUTES

## SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING

**August 15, 2013**

**9 AM**

**Lakeview Senior Center**

**20 Lake Road**

**Irvine, California**

### CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Senior Citizens Council was called to order on August 15, 2013 at 9:02 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California, by Chair Wong.

### ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER  
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VICE CHAIR  
CHAIR

GRETA JACOBS  
JANET KLEIN  
SIMA RANJBAR  
KATHLEEN PFEIFFER  
PK WONG

### ABSENT

COUNCILMEMBER  
COUNCILMEMBER

CHARLIE CHOI  
NAJMA QUADER

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Vice Chair Pfeiffer

**MOMENT OF SILENCE** – Vice Chair Pfeiffer

### INTRODUCTIONS

Program Coordinator Laura Murphy introduced Community Services Interns Roger Jin and Kimberly Williams, who will be assisting with the TrueNeighborhood Village and care management programs, respectively.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### 1. Distinguished Service Awards

Community Services Senior Leader Andrew Chen presented this award to Al Stellato in recognition of his dedicated volunteer service to the Irvine Meals on Wheels program.

### 2. Program Update

Community Services Program Coordinator Laura Murphy presented an update on programs and activities at Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers and provided materials with details.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following announcements were made by Community Services Superintendent Sheila Driscoll

### 1. Senior Citizens Council Emeritus Reception

A reception honoring new Emeritus members has been scheduled for Thursday, September 19, 2013 immediately following the Senior Council meeting.

### 2. Irvine Global Village Festival, September 28, 2013

Rack cards for the event were distributed. The Health and Human Services booth will be located in a more accessible location as opposed to a grassy area and will not be the survey drop-off location as in years past.

### 3. Naming of Mike Ward Community Park Woodbridge

A dedication ceremony for the park's renaming is scheduled for August 17, 2013 at 10 a.m.

## **COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

None

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Response letter to resident regarding Senior Housing was mentioned.

## **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS**

### **1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups**

#### **A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services**

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported that the program census has been down due to an unusual number of recent discharges. Participants continue to benefit from services and the center continues to receive volunteer support. Positions are in the process of being filled; two Certified Nurse Assistant positions and a Program Director position. The fourth annual Take a Chance for Seniors Casino Night is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2013 from 5:30-10 p.m. at a cost of \$90 per person.

#### **B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association**

Chair Wong announced the Galaxy Youth Orchestra will provide entertainment at the August 17, 2013 meeting.

#### **C. Irvine Multicultural Association**

Councilmember Jacobs and Co-chair Yousef reported the August event was well attended. The group is engaged with Global Village planning and preparation. September's event will highlight South Korea, October will be dark and Diwali has been scheduled for November 1. An event highlighting Israel with entertainment and food has been scheduled for November 6.



D. Friends of Outreach

President Pfeiffer reported the Bingo Marathon raised \$400. Vice President Yousef reported a \$35 profit raised from the Summer Sizzle Concert, which will go toward special yarn for chemo caps. There will be a general membership drive. Pageant of the Masters ticket sales went well. Grace Rust, a founding member, is recovering from a recent fall.

E. Irvine Senior Travelers - No report

F. NEDA – Association of Iranian American Seniors

Member Mohammadi reported on a special event scheduled for this evening from 5-9 p.m. with a donation entry fee.

2. **Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees**

A. Housing / Transportation – Included below in item B.

Councilmember Jacobs reported that the federal sequestration has not affected current housing voucher recipients at this time, however no new housing vouchers are being issued. Irvine is not affected due to support received from the City. The housing assistance waitlist currently has over 50,000 people listed.

B. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council

The August 9, 2013 General Meeting was held at Lakeview Senior Center and attended by Chair Wong, Vice Chair Pfeiffer and Councilmembers Jacobs and Klein.

C. Health and Nutrition – No report.

D. Legislative – No report, dark in August.

**RECESS**

Chair Wong recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 9:53 a.m.

## **RECONVENE TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING**

Chair Wong reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:07 a.m.

### **1. Senior Citizens Council Committees**

#### **A. Facilities Committee**

Program Coordinator Murphy reported the Committee met on August 14, 2013. The new patio furniture is already being utilized without formal announcement of its arrival, and participants are being encouraged to enjoy their meals outside. A karaoke cart has been purchased with funds donated by the Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association. The emergency Quick Connect system has been installed for easy access to generators in the case of power outages. A handrail will be installed along the walkway down to the patio. The Friendly Friday's program will be moved to the patio in September.

#### **B. Nutrition Committee**

Vice Chair Pfeiffer reported the Quick Connect system will help minimize food loss during power outages.

#### **C. Donor Committee**

Councilmember Klein suggested to solicit donations in a targeted way, such as garden centers for patio needs.

#### **D. Leadership Committee – No report**

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **1. SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEE TO APPROVE SELECTION OF PANEL FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE APPOINTMENTS**


**ACTION:** Motion made by Councilmember Klein, seconded by Vice Chair Pfeiffer, and unanimously approved by members present to appoint Councilmembers Jacobs and Ranjbar to serve on an ad hoc committee to approve the interview panel for recruitment and appointment of two Senior Citizens Council Members-at-Large.

2. **MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Motion made by Councilmember Jacobs, seconded by Councilmember Klein and approved by members present to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on July 18, 2013.

**END COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 10:26 a.m. on Thursday, August 15, 2013.

  
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**P K WONG**  
**CHAIR**

  
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**Date**

  
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**ATHENA MARTINEZ**  
Recording Secretary