



MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

April 16, 2015

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 April 16, 2015, 9:03 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California; Vice Chair Jacobs presiding.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	VACANT
COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES
COUNCILMEMBER	KATHY LEE
COUNCILMEMBER	DONALD PERDUE
COUNCILMEMBER	SIMA RANJBAR
VICE CHAIR	GRETA JACOBS

ABSENT

CHAIR	PK WONG
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Ranjbar led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Community Services Superintendent Sheila Driscoll announced the appointment of Cindy Collins, newly appointed Interim Director for Community Services. Cindy provided information as to her background and experience and ensured the Senior Council lines of communication would remain open during this transitional time.

Community Services Supervisor Ed Kaleikini introduced Erick Flores, Community Services Leader II, and provided a brief background. Supervisor Kaleikini also announced additional staff recently hired in the Facility Operations/Maintenance section:

- Pacal Cornejo-Reynoso, Community Services Leader II
- Mystie Salbert, Community Services Leader II
- Kyle Raya, Community Services Leader II

PRESENTATIONS

1. Jewish Federation and Family Services

Terri Moses, Director of Human Services and Program Sustainability, provided a presentation on the services provided by Irvine Supportive Community, formerly known as True Neighbors Village.

2. Distinguished Service Awards

Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger and Community Services Leader I Yuko Bell presented Nutrition Volunteers Cheryl Patterson and Zarrin Khoshnevis with this award for their dedicated service to the nutrition program.

3. Animal Care Center Adoption Program

Animal Care Center Supervisor Rob Waite provided information and materials on the various animal adoption programs offered at the Irvine Animal Care Center. Discussion included the Seniors Helping Seniors program that allows seniors 62 or older to adopt a senior pet at no cost.

4. Program Update

Program Coordinator Lydie Gutfeld provided updates on programs and upcoming events at Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers.

At this time, Program Coordinator Gutfeld also reported that the Gold Card program has 590 enrolled members. The program offers a \$30 discount for membership of the fitness center at Rancho Senior Center, and allows for priority registration of certain programs and events.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Tax Preparation Assistance

Supervisor Conger reported 498 seniors were provided assistance with tax preparation this year, an increase of 14 percent from last year, with an average of 50 people seen each week.

2. Parks and Facilities Master Plan Update

Superintendent Sheila Driscoll reported the City's consultant, MIG, is still in the informational gathering phase.

Superintendent Driscoll also announced retirement festivities for former Community Services Director Brian Fisk are being planned for Wednesday, April 29, 2015 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Conference and Training Center at City Hall.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Councilmember Perdue requested information regarding improvement and CIP projects being recommended as part of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget and recommended that Senior Council discuss the purpose of the Senior Council subcommittees.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups

A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS)

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported IADHS will be participating in the Day of Giving campaign, beginning at 6 a.m. on April 21 and ending at noon on April 22. Donations toward this effort can be made through the irvineadhs.org or iheartoc.org websites. They City Council unanimously agreed to renew the \$20,000 matching sponsorship commitment for the October 24, 2015 Take a Chance for Seniors fundraising event. New directional signage will be installed in the parking lot to assist patrons in more easily locating

the entrance to IADHS. Hoag has awarded IADHS a new grant to purchase technology to provide cognitive/communicative activities, and anticipated launch of this program is June, 2015.

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA)

No report.

C. Irvine Multicultural Association (IMA)

Vice Chair Jacobs reported the April IMA event was well attended. The May event will include a presentation on Amsterdam and the June event will include a presentation by University California, Irvine students on Seoul, Korea.

D. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

Vice Chair Jacobs reported there was a recent fundraising event at Chili's and funds raised are still being calculated.

E. Irvine Senior Travelers

Representative Natalie Chaikin thanked staff for accommodating the monthly board meeting in the Rose Garden during the recent power outage. An excursion to the Albuquerque Balloon Festival is being planned for October. Plans are in the works for many day trips including Knott's Berry Farm, a cabaret in June, and a United Service Organizations, Inc. (USO) event. Planning for the 2016 events and trips has also begun.

F. NEDA – Association of Iranian American Seniors

No report.

G. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (IKEA)

Representative Kim reported a special IKEA kick-off event was held on March 28 and was attended by over 230 guests who enjoyed traditional Korean food and dance presentations. IKEA meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month and include health and informational. The Tuesday Morning Socials are held weekly and conclude with a walk around the lake.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council

Councilmember Ranjbar reported she and Vice Chair Jacobs attended the April meeting and toured the Buena Park Senior Center. Items of note were: open and inviting lobby; activity rooms had themed names such as “Picasso” for arts and “Einstein” for technology; fruit trees included in the landscaping; seating built around tree trunks.

B. Health and Nutrition

Vice Chair Jacobs reported a presentation was provided on the importance of oral health.

C. Housing and Transportation

Councilmember Perdue reported a presentation on transportation services highlighting Metrolink was provided. Councilmember Perdue donated two Metrolink passes, which were given to attendees, to be used as a raffle prize or award at a future Senior Services event.

D. Legislative

Councilmember Jones reported the February 23 meeting included a presentation on compassionate choices based on Senate Bill 128, The End of Life Option Act, and the success of the Meals on Wheels program in South Orange County. The March 16 meeting included an update from former Senior Councilmember Carolyn Inmon who announced a book she has written about non-violent domestic violence is soon to be published. The April 20 meeting will include a presentation on Covered California.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

A. Facilities Committee

Supervisor Kaleikini reported the Committee did not meet but provided the following updates: project to update donor wall and plaques in Rose Garden is moving forward; metal benches in the

area between the Lakeview Senior Center and park will be replaced with new picnic benches with tables and umbrellas, instead of installing a permanent shade structure; approval has been received to purchase new speakers for the auditorium this fiscal year, and installed next fiscal year; preparing to purchase a new Combination oven for Lakeview Senior Center.

Further discussion included the need for expansion of the Lakeview Senior Center to accommodate program needs.

B. Nutrition Committee

No report.

C. Leadership Committee

Supervisor Kaleikini announced the next meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2015 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Perdue, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of a special joint meeting with the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board and regular meeting held on March 19, 2015.

Ayes: 4 Jacobs, Jones, Lee, Perdue

Noes: 0

Abstain: 1 Ranjbar

Absent: 1 Wong

2. SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Jacobs, seconded by Councilmember Perdue and carried unanimously to postpone this item to the May 21, 2015 regular meeting of the Senior Citizens Council.

Ayes: 5 Jacobs, Jones, Lee, Perdue, Ranjbar

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Wong

ADJOURNMENT at 11:10 a.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2015.



GRETA JACOBS, VICE CHAIR



Athena Martinez
Recording Secretary



Date