



MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

February 18, 2016

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 February 18, 2016 at 9:02 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California; Chair Jacobs presiding.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES
COUNCILMEMBER	KATHY LEE
COUNCILMEMBER	SIMA RANJBAR*
COUNCILMEMBER	BETTY JO WOOLLETT
COUNCILMEMBER	GARY YATES
VICE CHAIR	CAROLYN INMON
CHAIR	GRETA JACOBS

** arrived at 9:05 a.m.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INTRODUCTIONS

1. Nutrition Program Staff

Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger introduced Damion Coran, Food Services Coordinator.

2. Facility Operations/Programming Staff

Community Services Supervisor Ed Kaleikini introduced the following staff:

- Ryan Citarella, Community Services Leader II PT
- Caryn Kawamoto, Community Services Leader III EPT
- Diane Lovette, Office Assistant I PT
- Kimberly Worrell, Office Assistant I PT
- Ranim Ziade, Community Services Leader II PT

PRESENTATIONS

1. Distinguished Service Awards

Supervisor Conger and Friends of Outreach President Kathleen Pfeiffer presented this award to Ed Smith and Susan Scholz for their dedicated and continued service as Bingo Volunteers.

2. Innovation in Affordable Housing

Community Development Manager of Housing Mark Asturias provided a presentation on the City's Affordable Housing program. Highlights included:

- City goal is to have 10,000 affordable housing units; currently at 5,000.
- Personal income has remained flat since 2001, while housing costs have increased.
- By law, cities have been prohibited from enforcing rent control since the early 1990s.
- State law passed that provides incentives to cities and developers to build additional housing units when affordable housing units are included in the development.
- Accessible housing requirements are different from affordable housing requirements.
- Since Fiscal Year 2005-06, new construction developments are required to dedicate 15% of units as affordable living units, or, if the project is qualified, to pay a fee in lieu of affordable housing units. The fee is deposited into the City's affordable housing fund. The fund is used to support the development of affordable housing throughout the City.
- The City's Land Trust is a nonprofit entity established in 2007. The purpose is to acquire and hold land in perpetuity for affordable housing.

- For housing developments, Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs) are used to examine and mitigate impact upon traffic circulation and schools.

Discussion included: school districts impacted within Irvine; documentation required to prove income levels; annual review of income qualifications to maintain status; affordable home leasing options; monitoring and maintenance of affordable housing properties; Fair Housing Laws require applications for affordable housing in Irvine must be accepted from residents from other cities; use of lottery systems to select qualified applicants.

3. Program Update – Community Services Program Coordinator Kristen Reid

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, Chair Jacobs expressed gratitude to Councilmembers for their collective vote of confidence by appointing her as Chair at the last meeting.

1. Trabuco Center Tour

Supervisor Kaleikini announced a tour of Trabuco Center will be conducted immediately after the meeting.

2. Trabuco Center Grand Opening

Supervisor Kaleikini announced the grand opening for Trabuco Center is scheduled for Saturday, February 20, 2016 with a formal program led by City officials and staff commencing at 10 a.m., followed by program demonstrations until 1 p.m. Senior Council was encouraged to arrive early and consider serving as docents for the event.

3. Senior Living Needs Survey 2015

Supervisor Conger distributed a flier from the Orange County Aging Services Collaborative highlighting top “concerns” and “wants” among the senior population.

4. Lunch Program Shuttle

Supervisor Conger announced lunch program shuttle service provided on Tuesdays and Fridays to The Meadows will be discontinued as of February 26, and a new route to and from Solaira Senior Apartments will be established on March 15, with no changes made to service for Inn at Woodbridge.

5. Older Americans Act Update

Supervisor Conger distributed information from the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs summarizing Federal Title III Program funding changes for the next fiscal year.

6. Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Public Input

Supervisor Conger distributed information about OCTA's proposed changes to bus routes that directly impact seniors traveling to Lakeview Senior Center by bus. Discussion included possible grass-roots efforts that can be made by individuals to share one's concerns about changes with OCTA directly.

At this time, Supervisor Conger announced the general Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council meeting will be held at Lakeview Senior Center on Friday, February 19, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

There were none.

RECESS

Chair Jacobs recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:40 a.m.

RECONVENE

Chair Jacobs reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:53 a.m.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

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

A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS)

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported program attendance is increasing daily. Due to rise in attendance, new wheelchair-bound participants have been placed on a waiting list due to space and accessibility issues and are being referred to other programs. Director Beeson expressed gratitude to Friends of Outreach for increasing the annual contribution to support scholarships for IADHS patrons. Staff is preparing for the second annual I Heart Day of Giving on April 27-28 which is 30 hours of volunteerism over the course of the two days. Items from the Memories in the Making art program were shared. The annual fundraising event, Take a Chance on Seniors Gala, has been confirmed for Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the Lakeview Senior Center. Most of the ADA parking issues in front of IADHS have been addressed, however some parking stalls need to be restriped and detectable warning surfaces need to be installed.

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA)

There were no IECSA members present to provide a report, however Chair Jacobs commented about the successful Chinese New Year celebration held on February 17.

C. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

President Kathleen Pfeiffer reported a FOO original member, Grace Rust, passed away recently. Several fundraisers have been held and totals are being tallied. Another fundraising event is being planned at the new California Pizza Kitchen at Jeffrey and Alton on April 21, and 20 percent of proceeds from guest receipts accompanied by a flier will go back to FOO. A new project is in the works to assist in the preparation of shelf-stable food boxes to supplement food delivery to Irvine Meals on Wheels participants.

D. Irvine Senior Travelers – No report.

E. NEDA – Association of Iranian American Seniors – No report.

F. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (IKEA)

President Juneu Kim reported IKEA membership will be reviewed in early March and programming/classes are planned to resume later in March. IKEA's goal is to increase services to the Korean senior

community and to unify the spirit of volunteerism to serve those most in need of assistance. Thank you to Senior Councilmember Lee for assistance.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council (SCAC)

Chair Jacobs announced SCAC will be meeting at Lakeview Senior Center on Friday, February 19.

B. Health and Nutrition

Councilmember Woollett reported the meeting held on February 17 included a presentation on Medicare Fraud/Abuse and Crimes Against Seniors and Persons with Disabilities, presented by a Senior Medicare Patrol representative. A recommendation was made to have this presentation given at a future Senior Council meeting or as a lecture at Lakeview Senior Center.

C. Housing and Transportation

Councilmember Lee reported a presentation on El Niño and Senior Safety was provided.

D. Legislative

Vice Chair Inmon requested that individuals consider making a donation to the California Senior Legislation on tax preparation forms now through April 15. A presentation was made by Kelli Jean Morris, Financial Abuse Specialist Team (FAST) Director with the Council on Aging, on protecting seniors and adult protective services. New laws have been passed regarding transfer of property that avoid probate courts. A recommendation was made to have this presentation given at a future Senior Council meeting or as a lecture at Lakeview Senior Center.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

A. Facilities Committee

Councilmember Yates reported updates on Trabuco Center were provided. Additional discussion items were:

- The TuffShed storage container in the Lakeview Senior Center parking lot was burglarized.
- Attendance for daily lunch in the Café is growing and there is need to address how to meet increase of demand.
- Committee met Damion Coran, the new Nutrition Program Coordinator, who led a tour of the kitchen.
- The kitchen equipment replacement schedule is due for review.

Vice Chair Inmon expressed a safety concern regarding the lack of railing along the stairs at the front of the stage in the auditorium at Lakeview Senior Center.

B. Leadership Committee – No report.

C. Nutrition Committee – No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Woollett, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on January 21, 2016.

Ayes: 7 Inmon, Jacobs, Jones, Lee, Ranjbar, Woollett, Yates

Noes: 0

Absent: 0

ADJOURNMENT at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2016.



 GRETA JACOBS, CHAIR



 Athena Martinez
 Recording Secretary

3-17-2016

 Date