



# MINUTES

## IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**May 19, 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 May 19, 2016, 9:02 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California.

### ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES
COUNCILMEMBER	SIMA RANJBAR
COUNCILMEMBER	BETTY JO WOOLLETT
COUNCILMEMBER	GARY YATES*
CHAIR	GRETA JACOBS
	<i>* Left at 10:44 a.m.</i>

### ABSENT

VICE CHAIR	CAROLYN INMON
COUNCILMEMBER	KATHY LEE

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Ranjbar led the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

### INTRODUCTIONS

1. James Flower, Community Services Leader II

Unable to attend.

2. Justin Fernandes, Community Services Specialist

Unable to attend.

3. Denise Beatty, Community Services Outreach Assistant

Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger introduced Denise Beatty as the newest Outreach Assistant.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Distinguished Service Award

Supervisor Conger, along with Senior Leaders Cheryl Hanna and Victoria HeideIman, presented this award to Luckanan "Luck" Kanthatham for dedicated and outstanding service as a Meals on Wheels Volunteer Driver.

2. Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Bus Route Changes

Gary Hewitt, OCTA Transit Planning Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation about OCTA's new OC Bus 360° Initiative that summarized how new service plans and route changes were devised. Changes to routes and service delivery will occur in two phases, the first in June 2016 and the second in October 2016.

Discussion included: alternative transportation options for riders affected by changes; expansion of Senior Services Volunteer Driver program; continued collaboration with Jewish Federation and Family Services, Access, and use of taxi vouchers.

3. Parkinson's Association Orange County (PAOC)

Don Perdue, Vice President of the Parkinson's Association of Orange County, provided background and printed information about this newly created nonprofit, replacing what was once the National Parkinson's Foundation of Orange County. A non-PAOC affiliated Parkinson's Support group meets at Lakeview Senior Center and offers a range of speakers from neurological professionals, pharmaceutical representatives, caregivers and other specialists from the field.

4. Program Update

Community Services Program Coordinator Kristen Reid provided updates on programs and upcoming events at Trabuco Center and Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **1. South County Senior Summit**

Chair Jacobs announced the event is scheduled for May 20, 2016 at 9 a.m. at the Laguna Woods Village.

### **2. Memorial Day Ceremonies**

Superintendent Driscoll announced the following Memorial Day events:

- Northwood Gratitude and Honor Memorial Ceremony  
Northwood Community Park  
Sunday, May 29, 2016 at 4 p.m.
  
- City of Irvine Memorial Day Event  
Colonel Bill Barber Marine Corps Memorial Park  
Monday, May 30, 2016 at 10 a.m.

### **3. Senior Newsletter Update**

Program Coordinator Reid shared information regarding a redesign of the Senior Newsletter anticipated for the November/December edition and may include the following enhancements:

- Slightly larger size (8½" x 11")
- Full color on glossy paper
- Side bar color-coding of categories
- Class registration information will look similar to Inside Irvine format
- Weekly tri-fold calendar for each month highlighting each senior center will be the middle section of the publication to be pulled out for easier use/reference.

The name of the publication will also be changed and options under consideration are: "50+ Guide – Connecting Irvine Seniors" or "Irvine Senior Connection".

### **4. National Charity League, Inc. Community Development Block Grant Award for Irvine Meals on Wheels**

Supervisor Conger announced National Charity League-Irvine Chapter was awarded a \$20,000 Community Development Block Grant for the Meals on Wheels program for Fiscal Year 2016-17. Federal Older Americans Act, Title III funding in the amount of \$390,000, was received to support the Nutrition, Outreach, In-Home Services, Care Management and Nutrition Transportation programs.

5. Wall of Recognition Award Ceremony

Superintendent Driscoll announced the names of Senior Services participants that will be honored at the May 24, 2016 reception at the Irvine Civic Center, to be held at 4 p.m. prior to the City Council meeting at 5 p.m.

6. Senior Services Strategic Plan 5-year Update

Superintendent Driscoll announced that the development of the Senior Services Strategic Plan Update will begin in fall 2016 with stakeholder meetings and public forums.

7. Woodbridge Village Shopping Center Tour Recap

Councilmember Woollett recapped renovation information received during the April 21, 2016 tour of the center conducted by Michael Le Blanc, Senior Vice President of The Irvine Company.

**ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

There were none.

**COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS**

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

A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS)

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported IADHS was awarded over \$19,000 in Community Development Block Grant funding for Fiscal Year 2016-17 to support the skilled nursing component of the IADHS program. IADHS was also the beneficiary of \$2,000 in City Council Community Partnership Grant funds, used to purchase furniture, resources and provide staff training to prepare for new state regulations for person-centered care planning/programming. IADHS participation is averaging 48 participants per day.

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association – No report.

C. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

President Kathleen Pfeiffer reported tickets are available for an opportunity drawing for quilts made by the International Crafters. FOO has begun working on holiday gift bag donations. Tickets for Pageant of the Masters will be available for \$10. FOO meets on the second Thursday of each month from 10-11:30 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center and everyone is welcome.

D. Irvine Senior Travelers

Representative Natalie Chaikin reported Irvine Senior Travelers are working to develop a presence at the new Trabuco Center. Trips for 2017 are being planned. Extended trips will be reduced to one per month in order to accommodate the interest for day excursions.

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

F. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association – No report.

**RECESS**

Chair Jacobs recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:43 a.m.

**RECONVENE**

Chair Jacobs reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 11:06 a.m.

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

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council

Chair Jacobs reported the Orange County Sheriff's Department presented on fraud prevention and awareness of various scams targeting seniors.

B. Health and Nutrition

Chair Jacobs reported a presentation was provided on the new Revocable Transfer upon Death law.

C. Housing and Transportation

Councilmember Woollett reported a presentation was provided on affordable housing projects in the County and eligibility criteria. Irvine has the highest number of affordable housing units. A new homeless shelter is being built in Anaheim, and transitional housing programs are also being developed.

D. Legislative

Councilmember Ranjbar provided a handout from the Congress of California Seniors on the Decade of Decline that was discussed.

**3. Senior Citizens Council Committees**

A. Facilities Committee

Program Coordinator Amber Castrey provided the following updates:

- Electrical upgrades will be made at Rancho Senior Center in June.
- The Lakeview Senior Center dining room carpet will be replaced in June and boxed lunches will be available during closure.
- Donor plaques for the Lakeview Senior Center donor wall and rose garden will be installed in June.
- The cart for the Lakeview Senior Center Little Library is scheduled to be built in the coming months.

B. Leadership Committee – No report.

C. Nutrition Committee

Chair Jacobs reported updates on the Irvine Meals on Wheels program were provided. Survey results have been received and responses were very positive. A new double convection oven will be installed at the Lakeview Senior Center, and a dishwasher is scheduled for purchase. Recently, a new coffeemaker was installed. The next committee meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2016.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Debra Miller-Osorio expressed her vision to help seniors live with the highest quality of life possible, and shared information about the University Synagogue Bridges program. This is an adult day program for people with mild to moderate memory loss and cognitive decline, offered Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at a fee of \$70 per day, including lunch. A family support group is also offered twice monthly at no cost for family members of participants.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**1. MINUTES**


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

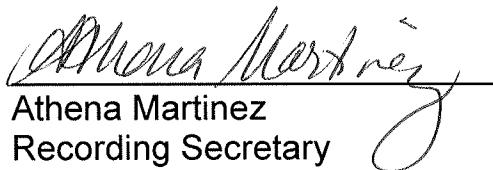
Ayes: 4 Jacobs, Jones, Ranjbar, Woollett

Noes: 0

Absent: 3 Inmon, Lee, Yates

**ADJOURNMENT** at 11:31 a.m. on Thursday, May 19, 2016.

  
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**GRETA JACOBS, CHAIR**

  
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Athena Martinez  
Recording Secretary

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06-15-2016  
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Date