



# MINUTES

## IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

February 16, 2017

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 16, 2017, 9:06 AM at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California; Vice Chair Inmon presiding.

### ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES	Appointed by: Mayor Pro Tem Schott
COUNCILMEMBER	JUNEU KIM	Appointed by: Councilmember Fox
COUNCILMEMBER	SIMA RANJBAR	Appointed by: Councilwoman Shea
COUNCILMEMBER	BETTY JO WOOLLETT*	Appointed by: Councilmember Lalloway
COUNCILMEMBER	GARY YATES	Member-at-Large
VICE CHAIR	CAROLYN INMON	Member-at-Large

\* left at 9:40 a.m.

### ABSENT

COUNCILMEMBER	RACHEL OWENS	Appointed by: Mayor Wagner
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### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Woollett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Orange County Great Park: Public Outreach

Craig Reem, City of Irvine Director of Public Affairs and Communications, provided an update on the progress being made regarding development of the Orange County Great Park.

2. Senior Services Strategic Plan Update: Public Forums

Community Services Manager Corinne Schneider-Jones provided an update on the three public forums held in January and February. Next steps will be to develop an executive summary and composition of a draft Plan Update.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Distinguished Service Awards

Community Services Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger and Senior Leader Maria Ornelas presented this award to Doris Lum in recognition of over 10 years and 2,000 hours of volunteer service to the Tuesday Morning Social and the Nutrition Program.

Supervisor Conger and Pat Hendee, Friends of Outreach President, presented this award to Khurshid Akbar for over 3,000 hours of volunteer service to the Friends of Outreach and International Crafters.

2. Disabled Parking at City Facilities

Joseph Kirkpatrick, Community Development Chief Building Official/Manager of Building and Safety Division, provided an overview of Accessible Parking and the City's enforcement of minimum building standards within the built environment.

Manager Schneider-Jones announced Public Works staff will conduct a walk-through of the Lakeview Senior Center parking lot and provide options for increasing accessible parking.

Discussion included:

- City's obligation is to meet minimum building standards which are enforced through the plan check and permit process.
- Accessibility Standards are fairly new:

- Amendment to Fair Housing Act in 1988 expanding scope to include requirements addressing disabilities.
- American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.
- New construction requirements versus modification of existing.
- Parking requirements begin in Zoning Code.
- In addition to regular and accessible parking spaces, the current codes require parking for electric vehicles and High Occupancy Vehicles.
- Challenges faced for parking (land values, economics, competing environmental interests, Green Code, carpool, etc.)
- The greatest opportunity to increase accessible parking at a given City site would be through policy. Doing so through a widely applied standard, i.e. public and private property, could not be supported by the requisite findings relating to climate, topography or geology. On the other hand, there is no limitation regarding a City policy for its own facilities.

### Public Comment

Nancy Cheng commented there are not enough accessible parking spaces for the Lakeview Senior Center, which is heavily used throughout the day, and expressed that because it is a center focused on seniors, more accessible parking spaces should be added. Also, the current set-up of accessible parking is awkward with all spaces in one long row leaving last spot far from the main entrance; they should be at the beginning of two rows, closer to the main entrance, each half way down instead.

In addition, Ms. Cheng inquired if the code would support flexible use parking that could be converted to accessible parking during high demand, that would then revert back to regular parking at other times. Such an arrangement could be accomplished through the use of temporary signs.

Don Perdue commented it does not seem the current accessible parking is compliant with ADA standards. City Zoning Code does not specify parking requirements based on type/use of building. If the Zoning Code is dictated by the State, could the City amend to meet needs?

### 3. Senior Services Volunteer Recognition Events

Community Services Supervisor Ed Kaleikini provided a presentation highlighting the various methods of recognition for volunteers.

Staff will create a list of criteria to review for possible special recognitions for the April Volunteer Recognition event.

#### 4. Program Update

Community Services Program Coordinator Laura Murphy provided updates on programs and upcoming events at Trabuco Center, Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Don Perdue commented about his attendance at various Senior Services Strategic Plan Update stakeholder meetings and public forums. Mr. Perdue expressed Irvine has a great product in its services to seniors, and they should be highly promoted. Suggestions to do so were: video spots to be produced and aired on ICTV; broader circulation of the monthly newsletter, Senior Connection; work on removing the stigma of "senior center"; host an annual open house for the community; more acknowledgement of and welcome to newcomers; strengthen the services offered by Hospitality Volunteers.

#### **RECESS**

Vice Chair Inmon recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:20 a.m.

#### **RECONVENE**

Vice Chair Inmon reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:35 a.m.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS (continued)**

Alvin Glasky, from the Osher for Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), reported the recent move from the Woodbridge Shopping Center to the Irvine Train Station has proved to be very beneficial as membership has increased, and attendance has increased from 80 to 170 attendees per class, on average. Outreach and promotion activities, with new marketing materials, have also increased throughout Irvine and Laguna Woods. OLLI will be offering two lectures at Trabuco Center in April and two lectures at the Lakeview Senior Center in June. OLLI is researching options for appealing to the various cultural groups in the community.

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

There were none.

#### **COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

Vice Chair Inmon encouraged Senior Councilmembers to attend the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Irvine Police Department/Exchange Club event.

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

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

#### **A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS)**

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported the facility lease has been renewed for the next 10 years. Director Beeson attended the February 15 Community Services Commission meeting to present the IADHS Community Development Block Grant application in support of skilled nursing services. Average daily attendance has been 46, and a capacity of 60 participants per day. IADHS has been utilizing social media to promote activities.

#### **B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA) – No report.**

#### **C. Friends of Outreach (FOO)**

President Pat Hendee reported DeeDee Kimlin has stepped down from her role as Bingo Manager, but will remain active with FOO as the Treasurer. Member Ed Smith will also be stepping down after March 7. FOO will be advertising the next Bingo marathon in the March/April issue of the Senior Connection. FOO's business license has been renewed, and the Bingo license is still pending. There will be a fundraiser at the Don Jose's Restaurant in Tustin on May 3, and working on confirming one at Chick-fil-A.

#### **D. Irvine Senior Travelers – No report.**

#### **E. NEDA-Association of Iranian American Seniors (NEDA) – No report.**

#### **F. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (IKEA)**

President Juneu Kim reported he will be reaching out to former Senior Councilmember Kathy Lee to provide IKEA reports at future meetings. President Kim will be working on increasing IKEA membership as he begins his second year as President, and is seeking support from the Senior Council and staff on their support to ensure success.

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

#### **A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council (SCAC)**

Councilmember Ranjbar reported the new SCAC Chair is John Pointer and the Co-Chair is Carol Downey. A presentation was given by Holly Hagler on SeniorServ/Meals on Wheels services provided throughout North Orange County.

B. Health and Nutrition – No report.

C. Housing and Transportation

Councilmember Yates reported a presentation was given by the Orange County Fire Authority and the reorganization of emergency services affecting seniors, as a high percentage of calls received are for seniors.

D. Legislative

Councilmember Jones reported SCAC Chair John Pointer provided an overview of legislation pending in Sacramento. Councilmember Ranjbar reported on funding priorities.

**3. Senior Citizens Council Committees**

A. Facilities Committee

Councilmember Yates reported first round of interviews are being held to fill the Community Services Specialist position. The Rancho Senior Center parking lot will be impacted the next two weeks as new water lines are installed. Umbrellas and heaters will be installed in the Lakeview Senior Center patio.

B. Leadership Committee

Councilmember Jones reported the Nutrition Program is still in need of volunteer drivers. Many new classes have been added to the three senior centers. Trabuco Center is experiencing some traffic flow issues and staff is working to program classes/events around high traffic times of the local schools. The Lakeview Senior Center billiard room will be repainted and the pool tables will be re-covered.

C. Nutrition Committee

No report. Next meeting scheduled for March 14, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**1. MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Moved by Councilmember Yates, seconded by Councilmember Kim and carried unanimously by members present to approve the minutes of the Irvine Senior Citizens Council regular meeting held on January 19, 2017.

Ayes:           5           Inmon, Jones, Kim, Ranjbar, Yates  
Noes:  
Absent:         2           Owens, Woollett

**ADJOURNMENT** at 11:26 a.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2017.

Carolyn Inmon  
**CAROLYN INMON, VICE CHAIR**

Athena Martinez  
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**Recording Secretary**

March 16, 2017  
Date