



MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

April 20, 2017

Trabuco Center
5701 Trabuco Road
Irvine, California

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Senior Citizens Council was called to order on April 20, 2017 at 9:00 AM at Trabuco Center, 5701 Trabuco Road, Irvine, California; Chair Inmon presiding.

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Inmon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Inmon introduced Director of Community Services Laurie Hoffman.

Director Hoffman introduced Acting Community Services Manager Sheila Driscoll.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Distinguished Service Awards

Community Services Program Coordinator Laura Murphy presented this award to Rei Okabayashi for over 225 service hours as a Thursday Morning Social volunteer at Trabuco Center since opening in February 2016.

Program Coordinator Murphy presented this award to Mervyn Best for over 100 service hours as a Fitness Center volunteer since Trabuco Center's opening.

2. Certificate of Completion

Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger presented a Certificate of Completion to Senior Councilmember Kim for Keen Center for Senior Resources training.

Senior Councilmember Kim thanked staff for the training and expressed a greater commitment to the Thursday Morning Resource and Referral Assistance efforts.

COUNCIL BUSINESS (*items taken out of order to accommodate schedules*)

2. PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR THE LAKEVIEW SENIOR CENTER OUTDOOR PATIO AND ROSE GARDEN REHABILITATION

Public Works Capital Improvement Program Administrator Thomas Perez and Senior Project Manager Kal Lambaz presented the staff report and responded to Board inquiries.

Discussion included: various concrete issues in the patio; type of furniture and heaters to be installed; various funding components and status of unused funds; request for proposal process and selection; how federal requirements for Community Development Block Grant funds are measured and met; suggestion for water feature/element; qualifications of engineering staff.

Don Perdue, resident, submitted written comments and notes to Public Works staff.

Vice Chair Woollett thanked Facilities Committee members for their hard work.

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Woollett, seconded by Senior Councilmember Jones and carried unanimously by members present to recommend that the City Council approve the construction plans, specifications and contract documents for the Lakeview Senior Center Rehabilitation, Capital Improvement Project 361733.

Ayes: 7 Inmon, Jones, Kim, Owens, Ranjbar, Woollett, Yates
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

3. PARKS MASTER PLAN

Community Development Principal Planner Darlene Nicandro presented the staff report, and she and Senior Planner Kathleen Haton responded to Public Comments and Senior Council inquiries. Senior Councilmembers were invited to submit feedback via email to Principal Planner Nicandro.

Discussion included: community engagement efforts; types of spaces included in the Parks Master Plan (Plan) such as city, county, private, etc.; next steps following City Council’s adoption of Plan; Plan’s status as “conceptual” versus actual; impacts to the City’s budget upon adoption of the Plan;

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kathleen Pfeiffer, resident, commented on difficulty of wheelchair accessibility on grass in parks, and cited challenges maneuvering wheelchairs at the Irvine Global Village Festival at Col. Bill Barber Marine Corps Memorial Park.

Don Perdue, resident, inquired about park plans in the Irvine Business Complex, and suggested appropriate sites be selected for art installations in public places.

SENIOR COUNCIL INPUT

- Include seating with back rests in passive areas for seniors who may need more frequent breaks/rest stops.
- Define parties responsible for community, neighborhood, private parks.
- Consider additional pickleball courts due to growth of sport among seniors.
- Consider outdoor exercise equipment in community and neighborhood parks.
- In the future, consider input from various ethnic groups given the changing demographics in Irvine.

ACTION: Moved by Senior Councilmember Jones, seconded by Senior Councilmember Owens and carried unanimously by members present to recommend additional consideration be given during planning to include pickleball courts in sites and parks near or adjacent to existing and future senior centers.

Ayes: 7 Inmon, Jones, Kim, Owens, Ranjbar, Woollett, Yates
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Senior Services Volunteer Recognition

Supervisor Kaleikini announced the 50s themed event is confirmed for Friday, April 21 at Lakeview Senior Center from 1-3 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no additional Public Comments.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Senior Councilmember Owens announced the Ryan Lemmon Foundation will host the 25th Annual Senior Showcase on June 9 and 10 at the Ryan Lemmon Stadium, featuring eight Orange County baseball leagues, 64 high schools, and approximately 400 graduating senior boys.

Chair Inmon thanked Rancho Senior Center staff for the recent chess exhibition, and suggested more intergenerational events programmed at the senior centers.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups

A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS)

On behalf of Executive Director Kimberly Beeson, Supervisor Kaleikini reported IADHS will hold their volunteer recognition event on April 28.

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA)

Director Jerry Chang reported the Dragon festival will be held in May, and IECSA will distribute 300 rice boats to their membership. Elections will be held for six expiring Director positions and there are a total of 15 IECSA Directors. IECSA has monthly activities, with 180-200 attendees out of a membership of 300. Director Chang thanked the Senior Council for the continued support of IECSA.

C. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

Representative Kathleen Pfeiffer reported a fundraising event will be held at Don Jose Restaurant in Tustin on May 3 from 3-9 p.m. A flier promoting the fundraiser must be presented with payment so that 20 percent of the check will be returned to FOO.

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 did not have a report on behalf of IKEA, but expressed his interest in having cultural awareness addressed in the Park Master Plan.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council

Councilmember Owens reported the Farmers Market nutrition voucher program is now open. The Orange County Aging Services Collaborative will host the 3rd Annual OC Leadership Forum on Aging on April 21. The first draft of the Orange County Strategic Plan for Aging has been posted to the County's website for review and comment through August, and can be found at www.ocagingplan.org. A statewide Senior Rally Day is planned for May 10 in Sacramento, and carpools are being arranged for those interested in participating. Information on proposed changes to Social Security can be obtained at www.ssa.gov.

B. Health and Nutrition

Councilmember Jones reported Margaret Huang, Saddleback Valley College Professor of Gerontology, provided a presentation on keeping the brain active and nutrition suggestions for a healthy brain.

C. Housing and Transportation

Councilmember Yates reported 24HR HomeCare provided a presentation on their partnership with Uber and transportation services for seniors who do not have smartphones. Supervisor Conger reported Friends of Outreach is offering a pilot program of this service for Irvine senior residents.

D. Legislative

Councilmember Ranjbar reported a presentation was given about the Orange County Senior Strategic Plan, and the work being done to plan for the anticipated tremendous growth in senior population.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

A. Facilities Committee

Supervisor Kaleikini announced the next meeting will be on May 10 from 2-3 p.m. and provided the following updates:

Trabuco Center

- Research is being done regarding installation of a flag pole at the Trabuco Center.

Lakeview Senior Center

- The billiard tables are being re-covered and the billiard room is being repainted.
- New speakers have been mounted in the auditorium and will be connected soon.
- A new dishwasher for the kitchen has been purchased and delivered. The three-day installation process is tentatively scheduled to begin on May 12.
- Tuff sheds for Meals on Wheels and Keen Center storage are in the contract phase.
- New roof tiles over the dining room will be replaced over the next two weeks.
- Additional accessible parking has been added and project is complete.
- A new awning for the Meals on Wheels area has been installed.
- New banquet tables have been purchased.

Rancho Senior Center

- Fire sprinkler and HVAC installation project is complete and the fitness center has re-opened and is fully functional.

B. Leadership Committee

Councilmember Jones reported the following from the April 5 meeting:

- Outreach Program Specialist Anne Kanter-Edwards provided information about the food commodities program.
- Keen Center staff is working with senior center staff and clubs for training on managing participant interactions and to gain a better understanding of the cultural diversity in programs.
- Keen Center staff provided a list of resources for after-hour transportation for participants who are lacking transportation to return home.
- Nutrition Program Coordinator Damion Coran reported the Meals on Wheels program attendance and efforts to bringing on a temporary contract for meal delivery services to relieve a shortage of volunteer meal deliverers.

C. Nutrition Committee – Supervisor Conger reported the next meeting is scheduled for May 9 at 9:30 a.m. at the Lakeview Senior Center.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Woollett, seconded by Senior Councilmember Jones and carried unanimously by members present to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on March 16, 2017.

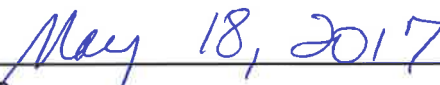
ADJOURNMENT at 10:50 a.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2017.



CAROLYN INMON, CHAIR



 Athena Martinez
 Recording Secretary



 Date