



# MINUTES

## IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2018**

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 September 20, 2018, 9:00 AM at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California; Chair Inmon presiding.

### ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES	Council Appointee: Schott
COUNCILMEMBER	JUNEU KIM	Council Appointee: Fox
COUNCILMEMBER	KEVIN KONDRU	Member-at-Large
COUNCILMEMBER	RACHEL OWENS	Council Appointee: Wagner
COUNCILMEMBER	BETTY JO WOOLLETT	Council Appointee: Lalloway
VICE CHAIR	SIMA RANJBAR	Council Appointee: Shea
CHAIR	CAROLYN INMON	Member-at-Large

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Inmon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

### PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Community Services Superintendent Sandra Salcedo made the following announcements:

- The Irvine Global Village Festival (Festival) will be held Saturday, September 22 at its new location, the Orange County Great Park, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. TRIPS will be providing rides via usual on-demand requests for registered participants.
- The proposed Senior Council Bylaw Amendments were presented to the City Council on September 12. The City Councilmembers expressed concerns with the proposed changes to the attendance requirements and the item died due to the lack of a motion. The City Council will be reviewing bylaws for all commissions to ensure consistency. The Senior Council will continue to operate under the Bylaws of Resolution 10-45.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

## **COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

Senior Council Member Jones reported:

- The City Council proclaimed September 17 as Constitution and Citizenship Day and September 17 through 23 as Constitution and Citizenship Week.
- The pickleball courts at Portola Springs Community Park are completed and ready for use, however the courts may not be played on until the official opening of the community center which is anticipated for December 2018 or January 2019.
- The Mike Ward Community Park should be considered as an additional location for pickleball courts.

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

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

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

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported the IADHS annual casino night fundraiser will be held on October 6 at Lakeview Senior Center. This

year's theme is "Denim and Diamonds" and the event will include a silent auction and live music. A new component for this year is a wine tasting. Director Beeson thanked Friends of Outreach for the \$2,000 donation that will be used as scholarships, and for continued support as a Sponsor for the casino night fundraiser. IADHS was awarded a \$10,000 grant from Allergan. IADHS will have a booth at the Festival. The center is averaging 50 participants per day, and most days are near capacity/

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA)

Director Jerry Chang reported IECSA celebrated the Chinese Moon Festival on September 15 with approximately 170 attendees, each receiving a free moon cake. The program also included information on Medicare and Medi-Cal enrollment, and Chinese dance and musical presentations. IECSA will have a booth at the Festival and will be demonstrating Chinese painting on fans.

C. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

President Pat Hendee reported the Bingo program is averaging \$500 per week and raised \$2,200 in August. The Bingo program is seeking volunteers to assist on Tuesdays. The International Crafter's shop is open and the group continues working on holiday gift bag contributions. To date, 200 scarves, 100 coasters, and 75 placements have been completed. The gift bags are scheduled to be assembled November 26 through 28. An opportunity drawing will be held at the November 16 luncheon. The Pageant of the Masters fundraiser raised \$870 and the California Pizza Kitchen fundraiser raised \$99.50. The California Pizza Kitchen was the last restaurant fundraiser for the year; restaurants to be scheduled for 2019 are Chili's, Ruby's and Stonefire Grill. President Hendee attended the Senior Fitness Expo and FOO was able to market the club, seeing an immediate increase of chemo cap yarn donations since the event. The Ride with 24HR program continues to see growth. FOO is considering participating in future Festivals but will not be participating this year. President Hendee also announced the passing of Erich Pfeiffer, husband of former Senior Council Member and current FOO member Kathleen Pfeiffer.

D. Irvine Senior Travelers – No report.

E. NEDA-Association of Iranian American Seniors (NEDA)

Representative Badri Tabibzadeh reported NEDA meets weekly on Thursday afternoons. Activities include poetry readings, music, and dancing. The third Thursday of each month, an evening event is held that includes light refreshments, various activities, and dancing. Everyone is welcome.

F. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (IKEA)

President Juneu Kim reported IKEA will be participating at the Festival. President Kim shared that out-of-state individuals with housing issues relocate to Irvine due to its reputation as a city, and often seek assistance obtaining various services and programs.

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

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council – No report.

B. Health and Nutrition

Senior Council Member Jones reported a presentation was given by Adult Protective Services on senior abuse and shared statistics.

Senior Council Member Woollett reported she also attended the committee meeting and suggested that the Irvine senior centers host the presentation provided by Adult Protective Services. A chart displaying a “scam pyramid” was provided as a handout.

C. Housing and Transportation

Senior Council Member Kondru reported a presentation was given by SeniorServ and provided a handout. Each member of the committee was asked to provide a summary on their respective city’s position on addressing the issue of homelessness.

Vice Chair Ranjbar reported on the various housing challenges regarding Section 8 versus affordable housing.

D. Legislative

Vice Chair Ranjbar reported about legislation and the various issues seniors face while driving and shared statistics.

**3. Senior Citizens Council Committees**

**A. Facilities Committee**

Senior Council Member Kondru provided a handout and reported the committee meeting cycle will be changing and provided an update on the status of the Lakeview Senior Center computer lab naming project and the Rancho Senior Center fitness center project. Options for adding shade at the Trabuco Center are still being considered. The need for a feasibility study to evaluate the demand for space at the senior centers was discussed.

**B. Leadership Committee – No report.**

**C. Nutrition Committee**

Senior Council Member Woollett reported statistics for Irvine’s Nutrition Program and announced the Thanksgiving-themed lunch will be held on November 16 and will offer two seatings to accommodate the high number of attendees.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**1. MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Moved by Senior Council Member Woollett, seconded by Senior Council Member Owens, and carried unanimously by members present to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on August 16, 2018.

Ayes: 7 Inmon, Jones, Kim, Kondru, Owens, Ranjbar, Woollett

Noes: 0

Absent: 0

**2. SENIOR SERVICES STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE**

Superintendent Salcedo presented the item and responded to Senior Council inquiries.

Community Services Manager Sheila Driscoll facilitated an exercise in ranking the Senior Plan Update’s goals by priority. Results of the exercise were announced. The Senior Council’s ranking of Senior Plan Update goals are as follows:

1. Education
2. Health and Recreation
3. Well-being and Vulnerable Seniors
4. Transportation
5. Housing

Discussion included: incorporating visual/pictorial items in marketing and educational materials; increased marketing of Irvine senior housing developments at Irvine senior centers during application acceptance periods; more frequent reporting of achievements/accomplishments; need for expansion/addition of senior centers to address growth in senior population; feasibility of community centers offering more senior programming; utilizing cultural groups to enhance educational activities among various populations.

Senior Council Member Kim commented he would like to see more emphasis on addressing homelessness in the Senior Strategic Plan Update, and suggested Senior Services volunteers receive more training/education on assisting the homeless community.

Senior Council Member Kondru thanked staff for providing individual briefings to review the plan prior to this Senior Council meeting.

**ACTION:** Reviewed and provided input to the Senior Services Strategic Plan Update.

**END COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 10:55 a.m. on Thursday, September 20, 2018.

  
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**CAROLYN INMON, CHAIR**

  
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 Athena Martinez  
 Recording Secretary

  
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