



Mayor's Commission on Aging

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Wednesday, April 6th, 2022
Held via Teleconference

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Bryan Ricks called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. The meeting was held via teleconference.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Present: Bryan Ricks, Martha Scott, Asha Beene-Clarke, Michael Coleman, Dianna Garrett, Jacqueline Phillips, Jennifer Seibert

Absent: Cheryl Moore

Absent Excused: Tomye Neal Madison, Shannon McDonnell

A quorum was established.

Staff: Scott Means (Aging & Adult Services Manager), Marshay Boyd (Administrative Assistant)

3. Re-adopt the Teleconference Resolution (*Adopt Resolution 21-10-02 Determining that Conducting In-Person Meetings of the Mayor's Commission on Aging and its Committees would Present Imminent Risks to Attendees' Health and Electing to Continue Conducting Meetings Using Teleconferencing in Accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e), a Provision of AB-361*)

M/S/Carried: Michael Coleman/Jennifer Seibert and Jacqueline Phillips/Motion Carried Unanimously

4. Agenda Modification and Approval

The agenda was approved no modifications.

M/S/Carried: Jennifer Seibert/Jacqueline Phillips/Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

The March 2nd, 2022 minutes were approved with no modifications.

M/S/Carried: Michael Coleman/Martha Scott/Motion carried unanimously

6. Public Forum

No Speakers at this time

7. **Age-Friendly Report: Communications Stakeholders Meeting**

Chair Ricks opened the conversation with a brief overview of the meeting, before inviting Commissioner Garrett to further explain the recap of the Communication stakeholder meeting. Commissioner Garrett presented an update as well as what the groups 3 tangible next steps.

8. **Council Report**

Scott Means provided a guideline of how to create the council report this year. Scott Means is looking for the 4 leads from each of the 4 domain stakeholder groups to provide updates with information for their section. The rest of the council report will be tied together by Scott Means, Commissioner Scott, and Chair Ricks. Commitment to have everyone's draft by April 22nd, 2022 was made.

9. **HSD Aging & Adult Services/COVID-19 update**, *Scott Means, Aging & Adult Services Manager*

Scott Means opened this topic up with updated everyone on The Sugar Sweet and Beverage tax funds, that were released. Deadline for questions or concerns about SSB is April 15th, 2022. Scott provided his direct contact email Smeans@oaklandca.gov if anyone wanted to discuss this with him. Chair Ricks re-opened the public form for anyone to speak and comment on this. Audience member Tanya Washington with United Seniors of Oakland gave a brief description of how the SSB fund helps their programs. Scott moved on to talk about an event for Madi Gras that was hosted at WOSC, was the biggest event since Covid and was successful. We are still limited on what we can do until masking indoors is removed. We can not have a fully open senior centers until there is no longer a vaccine or mask mandate. OAM (Older American Month) is scheduled next month May 4th, 2022 from 10am-12pm. We will have a brief MCOA meeting then introduce the OAM event.

OPED: Recruiting for senior services program analyst! Program is open and continues to serve the community. They are working to expedite the Taxi Script Service and launching the Go-Go Grandparent Platform that will provide Uber and Lift rides to seniors.

MSSP: Seniors are still opting into televisits, will continue to maintain cases with porch visits until they're comfortable letting people into their homes again.

SCP/FGP: The program is staffed by 1.5 FTEs. The program will continue to sufficiently serve the community while in the recruitment process.

ASSETS: We are hiring! If you know any older adults (strong need for bilingual) who would like to participate, send them our way. The senior aide TPT positions are minimum wage \$14.36/hour at 20hrs/week. There are also employment opportunities for Physical Fitness Instructors to apply as Recreation Specialists that will service the senior centers.

SENIOR CENTERS: Hosting tax services at the senior centers. Slowly bringing back rental services for agencies. Despite this, the Senior Centers continue to provide critical services that includes food distribution, membership registration and virtual/limited-indoor programming. Have upcoming events to RSVP for any upcoming events, presentations, or classes go to MyActiveCenter.com or call (510) 238-3284 M-F 9am-3pm. We have activities at all our centers. Introducing new Senior Center newsletter. A membership into an Oakland Senior Center is not a key into the city, but a membership into a community. Working on making our Senior Centers a

community benefit, improving seniors experience.

10. Announcements

Free COVID testing is available at the following locations:

- East Oakland Senior Center – Parking Lot | 9255 Edes Ave, Oakland, CA 94603
To schedule an appointment: <https://curative.com/sites/31207>
Date/Time: Tuesdays | 8:00am -2:00pm
- Downtown Oakland Senior Center – Parking Lot | 200 Grand Ave, Oakland, CA 94610
To schedule an appointment: <https://curative.com/sites/31197>
Date/Time: Thursdays | 8:00am -2:00pm

11. Closing Remarks & Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting OAM Event will be held on Wednesday, May 4th, 2022 at 10 a.m. via teleconference.