



# Mayor's Commission on Aging

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**Wednesday, August 4, 2021**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**Held via Teleconference**

## MINUTES

### 1. Call to Order

Chairperson Bryan Ricks called the meeting to order at 10:04a.m. The meeting was held via teleconference.

### 2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

**Present:** Bryan Ricks, Asha Beene-Clarke, Michael Coleman, Diana Garrett, Tomye Neal Madison, Shannon McDonnell, Jacqueline Phillips, Jennifer Seibert

**Absent:** Cheryl Moore

**Excused Absent:** Martha Scott

*A quorum was established.*

**Staff:** Scott Means, Aging & Adult Services Manager, Hayde Mazariago, Senior Services Program Assistant

### 3. Agenda Modification and Approval

The agenda was approved with the following modification to add:

- Item 7. Oakland Redistricting Public Hearing Schedule for Adopting New District Maps.

M/S/Carried: Michael Coleman/Shannon McDonnell/ Motion carried unanimously.

### 4. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

The May 26, 2021 minutes were approved with no modifications.

M/S/Carried: Shannon McDonnell/Jennifer Seibert/Motion carried unanimously.

### 5. Public Forum

Lenore McDonald announced that the League of Women Voters is sponsoring a Candidate Forum to meet two (2) candidates for the seat vacated by Assembly Member Rob Bonta on Monday, August 9, 2021.

Visit: <https://www.lwv.org> for more information.

### 6. Age-Friendly Report

Chair Ricks provided a recap of the Livable Oakland, Age-Friendly Cities Stakeholder meeting held on Thursday, July 22, 2021 (see attached presentation slides). He provided an overview of each subcommittee: Health & Wellness/Food Security, Housing, Communication, and Open Spaces. Livable Oakland Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month. Please email [MCOA@oaklandca.gov](mailto:MCOA@oaklandca.gov) if you are interested in becoming a stakeholder.

### 7. City of Oakland 2021-2023 Policy Budget - Scott Means, Aging & Adult Services Manager

No report. Discussion tabled until September 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Commissioner Beene-Clarke asked for information on financial support for renters and homeowners to be included the report.

## 8. Oakland Redistricting Public Hearing Schedule for Adopting New District Maps

Chair Ricks Presented information regarding the Oakland Redistricting Commission public hearing schedule for adopting new district maps. Commissioner Neal Madison suggested that a representative from the MCOA attend the next redistricting meeting. Commissioners Coleman and Seibert will attend the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting and will provide a report.

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

**OPED:** 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:** In process of hiring additional staff to increase service level in the community.

**SCP/FGP:** The SCP/FGP Senior Services Program Assistant retired after 16 years of service. The program is staffed by 1.5 FTEs. The program will continue to sufficiently serve the community while in the recruitment process.

**ASSETS:** Actively recruiting and bringing back additional staff to support critical senior services. 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:** There is a 75% vacancy rate. Despite this, the Senior Centers continue to provide critical services that includes food distribution, membership registration and virtual/limited-indoor programming. Center staff are in the process of revising the Advisory Bylaws and Master Fee Schedule to present to the commission at a later date.

## 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

Lauren Cotter announced that CTN can upload MCOA flyers to their social media accounts.

## 11. Closing Remarks & Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

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### Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. via teleconference.