

**SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, September 20, 2018

The Senior Citizens Advisory Commission of the City of Rohnert Park met this date at Rohnert Park Senior Center, 6800 Hunter Drive, Suite A, Rohnert Park, for a regular meeting to commence at 12:30pm.

1. SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION – CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Abbott called the meeting to order at 12:33pm, the notice for which being noted on September 17, 2018.

Present: Lorreen Abbott, Commissioner
Cheryl Burton, Commissioner
Nancy Garvey, Commissioner
Caryl Sherman, Commissioner

Absent: Elaine Sampson, Chair

Staff Present: Director of Public Works and Community Services McArthur, Community Services Manager Bagley, Community Services Program Coordinator Foley.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Abbott.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MEETING AGENDA POSTING

Community Services Manager Bagley acknowledged posting of the regular meeting agenda in the required places per Brown Act requirements.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission regular meeting on May 17, 2018, were approved.

Action: Motion/seconded (Garvey/Sherman) to approve, as presented, the meeting minutes from the May 17, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried with the following 4-0 vote.

5. Senior Center Report

a. Community Services Coordinator

i. BINGO Update

Community Services Program Coordinator Foley reported the Friends of the Rohnert Park Senior Center Friday Night BINGO game has made \$27,400 between May and September 2018.

ii. Council on Aging Dining Site Update

Foley reported Council on Aging has been serving an average of 27 people per day in the Senior Center dining room. A \$4 is recommended per person, however on average they are receiving between \$.50 to \$1.00 per person.

6. SCAC Meeting Frequency

a. Discussion and Direction

A motion to have SCAC meetings quarterly was motioned by Commissioner Sherman. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garvey. The motion was carried with the following 3-0-2 vote. SCAC meetings will take place January, April, July, and October.

7. Senior Center Art Mural

a. Discussion and Recommendation

-Community Services Manager Bagley reported that non-profit organization, Art Start was awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Small Grant Program through the City of Rohnert Park Foundation. Art Start will be creating a mural starting in the Senior Center lobby.

-The commission reviewed the mural options and Commissioner Sherman made a motion to vote for option #4 with change adaptations of poppies, lavender, and redwood trees. The motion passed with the following 3-1-1 vote.

8. Parks & Recreation Commission Liaison Report

Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Black reported their primary efforts have been focusing on plans for the city's downtown. Chair Black invited the commission to attend the next Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on October 1st at the Council Chambers.

9. City Council Liaison Report

City Council Member Belforte reported updates in regards to the Rohnert Park's downtown plans. Council Member Belforte also announced a Save the Date for Rohnert Park's Founders Day that is on October 6th and also gave an update on train safety reminding citizens to not walk across the tracks with ear buds.

10. Community Services Manager & Director Report

a. Senior Center Improvements

-Director of Public Works and Community Services McArthur reported updates on the Center's new flooring replacement project. Other improvement projects include painting of Suite C, addition of lighting and security cameras to the eaves of the building as well as the roofing and HVAC project.

-Director McArthur updated the commission on the new tactic of having Public Safety have a presence at the Senior Center to help mitigate the homeless issue.

-Commissioner Sherman made a motion to add an agenda item to the next meeting on the topic of homelessness in the Senior Center. Commissioner Abbott seconded.

b. Special Events

Manager Bagley updated on upcoming events. Events included:

- Founders Day, October 6th
- Halloween Carnival, October 27th
- Arts and Crafts Fair, November 23rd-24th

c. Commission Terms Ending in 2018

Manager Bagley reported two city council member terms end on 12/31/18. Commissioners who are linked to those council members will also have their terms ending.

11. Communications

None.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. Gary Coffman- Resident- Suggested there be more enticement for seniors to come to the Senior Advisory Commission Meetings.

13. Matters to/from Commissioners

a. Commission Supplies

Commissioner Abbott reported that Chair Sampson would like a gavel and water mugs.

b. Rotating Positions

-Community Services Manager Bagley reported that according the bylaws, officers are to rotate positions. This is something that the commission has not done, but would like to begin implementing.

-Community Services Manager Bagley reported that rotation is based on election. January 2019 the vote for Chair and Vice Chair will take place.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Abbott adjourned the regular meeting of the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission at 2:10pm.



Caryl Sherman, Chair



Amanda Foley, Recording Secretary