

SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 15, 2020 12:30 p.m.

The Senior Citizens Advisory Commission of the City of Rohnert Park met this date via Zoom, for a regular meeting to commence at 12:30pm.

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

Chair Pekkain called the meeting to order at 12:30pm.

Present:

Jim Pekkain, Chair

Caryl Sherman, Vice-Chair Lorrie Abbott, Commissioner Gary Coffman, Commissioner Phyllis Transue, Commissioner

Staff Present:

John McArthur, Director of Community Services and Public Works

Cindy Bagley, Deputy Director of Community Services

Amanda Foley, Community Services Supervisor

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

None

3. Public Comments

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – moved/second upon the amendment of noting Caryl Sherman as vice chair, the meeting minutes of the regular meeting of January 16th, 2020 were approved. The motion was carried with the following 5-0-0-0 vote: AYES: Abbott, Coffman, Pekkain, Sherman, Transue; NOS: None ABSTAINS: None, ABSENT: None.

5. SENIOR ADVISORY TERMS

a. Community Services Supervisor, Foley reminded the commission that three commissioners had terms expiring. Foley let the commissioners know that if they are interested in being considered for re-appointment, they are required to complete a request for reappointment form.

6. SENIOR CENTER REPORT

a. Community Services Supervisor

i. SENIOR ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

Community Services Supervisor, Foley reported in March, every Senior Center member was given a wellness call. Foley reported the wellness calls were then opened up to any senior in Rohnert Park. Foley reported the Senior Center newsletter has turned virtual and that the newsletter is now available to the public via the City's website. Foley reported the Senior Center had its first ever drive-thru event where root



beer floats were passed out to 75 seniors. Foley stated future drive-thru events are planned for November and December.

ii. COUNCIL ON AGING UPDATE

Community Services Supervisor, Foley reported in lieu of congregate meals, Council on Aging has been providing 5-day meal packs that are distributed from outside of the Senior Center every Wednesday. Council on Aging has been serving approximately 35 seniors each week.

7. Parks & Recreation Commission Liaison Report

None.

8. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

None.

9. COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPUTY DIRECTOR & DIRECTOR REPORT

a. BUILDING/PROJECTS UPDATE

Deputy Director of Community Services, Bagley, provided updates on Sunrise Park, Meadow Pines Park, and the new Five Creek Park. Bagley reported playgrounds have reopened and staff is disinfecting the parks once a day. Director of Community Services and Public Works, McArthur gave and update on the futsal courts at Alicia Park as well as an update on the roof project at Goldridge. McArthur reported the City has taken ownership of Maurice Fredricks Park in W section. McArthur also reported the next project to take place at the Senior Center will be renovating the bathrooms.

b. STATEWIDE PARK PROGRAM GRANT- PROP 68

Community Services Deputy Director, Bagley provided an updated on Proposition 68 and informed the commission that Community Services is working on applying for a grant of up to 8 million dollars to revitalize Alicia Park.

c. SPECIAL EVENTS

Community Services Supervisor, Foley reported on the annual Veterans Day event and the annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Faire and informed the commission that both were turning virtual for this year due to COVID. Community Services Deputy Director, Bagley reported Community Services will be hosting a Halloween drive-in movie event that will be free to the community and funded by Measure M.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

11. MATTERS TO/FROM COMMISSIONERS

Vice-Chair Sherman stated she is on the Rohnert Park- Cotati Regional Library Advisory Board and asked if there could be a library liaison added to the Senior Advisory Committee. It was agreed upon by the commission for any library updates to take place as a communications item on the agenda. Chair Pekkain asked Director of Community Services and Public Works, McArthur if there are any planned upgrades to the south course of the golf course. McArthur reported upgrades are not taking place at the moment, but the City is in communication with the tenant.



12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Pekkain adjourned the regular meeting of the Senior Advisory Commission at 1:20pm.

Jim Pekkain, Chair

Amanda Foley, Recording Secretary

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