



## SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES- DRAFT

Thursday, July 15, 2021 12:30 p.m.

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

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

Chair Pekkain called the meeting to order at 12:33pm.

Present: Jim Pekkain, Chair  
Gary Coffman, Vice-Chair  
Phyllis Transue, Commissioner

Absent: Mark Galipeau, Commissioner  
Alice Kibwaa, Commissioner

Staff Present: Cindy Bagley, Director of Community Services  
Amanda Foley, Community Services Supervisor

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – moved/second (Transue/Coffman) to approve meeting minutes for the regular meeting of April 15, 2021. The motion was carried with the following 3-0-0-2 vote. **AYES:** Pekkain, Coffman, Transue. **NOS:** None; **ABSTAINS:** None; **ABSENT:** Galipeau, Kibwaa

#### 4. SENIOR CENTER REPORT

##### a. Community Services Supervisor

##### i. Senior Center Update

Community Services Supervisor, Foley provided an update on the reopening of the Senior Center. Foley reported the Santa Rosa Junior College Older Adults Program classes will remain virtual throughout the fall semester. Santa Rosa Junior College classes will resume at the Senior Center in January 2022. Foley reported the Senior Center has added new classes to schedule such as a spirituality and mindfulness class and a book club discussion group. Foley shared updates on groups that have returned to the Senior Center such as knitting and crochet, the Vintage Choir, mixed media art, bridge, and line dancing.

##### ii. Council on Aging Update

Community Services Supervisor, Foley reported Council on Aging resumed congregating dining on July 1. Foley reported Council on Aging will be doing congregating dining on Tuesdays and Thursdays and will remain doing the Wednesday curbside pickup until further notice.



## **5. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT**

Vice-Mayor Elward provided an update regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and the amount of calls and reports that came in to Public Safety. Vice-Mayor Elward shared there will be a special election regarding the firework ban on September 14. Vice-Mayor Elward reported City Council meetings are back to being in person at Council Chambers. Vice-Mayor Elward reported the council has approved the Cahoot's program.

## **6. PARKS AND RECREATION LIAISON REPORT**

Chair Borr reported the summer aquatics program is busy with swim lessons and recreational swim taking place at both Honeybee Pool and Benicia Pool. Chair Borr announced park audits will begin in August and the public is welcomed to join. Director of Community Services, Bagley invited the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission to join the park audit.

## **7. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR REPORT**

### **a. Building/Project Update**

Director of Community Services, Bagley reported the Senior Center restroom project has gone out to bid. Bagley reported that during the Covid shutdown the City put funding on hold for general maintenance. Now that the City has reopened, general maintenance will get back on track.

### **b. Special Events**

Director Bagley reported Party on the Plaza and the Farmers market has begun and will run until September. Bagley announced the Callinan Sports and Fitness Center will be having a 35 year anniversary celebration come November/December. Bagley also shared in 2022 the City will turn 60 and will be hosting a celebration in the Spring/Fall. Bagley provided a recap of the Community Services I Heart Rohnert park mini-series event.

## **8. COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

## **9. MATTERS TO/FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Chair Pekkain shared the pickleball courts look great. Chair Pekkain brought up the idea of having a softball league for 50+. Vice-Mayor Elward shared Public Safety Chief Mattos provided the council with an update on 4<sup>th</sup> July crisis response regarding citations, debris fires, emergency calls, and the use of the "Nail 'Em" app.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Jim Pekkain, Chair

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Amanda Foley, Recording Secretary