



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA CONVENED  
THIS 13<sup>th</sup> OF JULY 2016, AT 8:30 A.M.  
SOUTH PASADENA SENIOR CENTER  
1102 OXLEY STREET**

**ROLL CALL**

Vice-Chair Alexandria Levitt convened the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena Senior Citizen Commission at 8:45 a.m.

Vice-Chair Alexandria Levitt called the roll. Present were City Commissioners Knight, Vanderwall and Shon. Absent was Chair Matty Hurtado Sokolow.

City Council Liaison, Dr. Khubesrian was present..

Staff present: Community Services Supervisor Torres.

Senior Citizens Foundation of So Pas representative: Liz Giffen Glad

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Vice-Chair Hurtado Sokolow opened the Public Comments section.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Vice-Chair Hurtado Sokolow closed the Public Comments section.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 10, 2016 and MAY 18, 2016**

Commissioner Vanderwal motioned to approve minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Knight.

AYES: Levitt, Vanderwall, Shon and Knight.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON SENIOR COMMISSION GOALS & OBJECTIVES for 2016.**

Commission goals were explained to City Council Liason Dr. Khubesarian, in particular Fitness classes and their space needs and pharmacy visits from Huntington Hospital. Staff explained that website update has been delayed due to loss of staff.

### **2. ANNUAL REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL 11/2/16**

Timeline for preparation of report was discussed. Vice-Chair Levitt will present to Council.

### **3. REPORT ON THE COMMUNITY CENTER AD HOC COMMITTEE MEET**

Dr. Khubesarian reported on status. Current plans call for Community Center to be 20,000 sf. This will be the same (or less) space than the Senior Center currently has. Dr. Khubesarian suggested Commission keep in mind current and future space needs when planning for new Community Center and that as many Commissioners as possible attend next Ad hoc Committee meeting to explain such needs. Date is needed.

Vice Chair Levitt suggested that Commissioners present data at that time of Senior class attendance and usage.

### **4. REPORT ON SENIOR CITIZENS FOUNDATION OF SOUTH PASADENA**

Foundation board member Liz Giffen Glad did not have an update but explained the their next meeting would be October 21.

### **5. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDING**

Commission agreed that Senior Center needed to be painted and approved in theory the concept of using funds from the Romine trust but requested to see bids for painting of Senior Center at next meeting in August before final approval would be given. The concept of using volunteers for this work was also discussed.

The replacement of flooring was considered to be too expensive to consider at this time since the city will not offset any costs.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **6. COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOT & INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAMMING**

Staff reported that volunteers from Center and teens from the Teen Center is working with the Community Garden to create & maintain a plot for seniors. Volunteers would bring "crops" to the Center and utilize them with the daily lunch as well as give away to the Seniors attending daily program. There is a plan to have a dinner in the fall using crops from the garden and with the Teen Center's cooking, along with local chef and serving the seniors.

**7. STAFFING HOURS**

Staff reported that with the new budget, part time hours went up from 18 to 28 a week which is much appreciated and makes hiring of qualified candidates easier.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**8. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON**

Dr. Khubesarian reported that it would be very helpful for Commission to create a powerpoint about recent efforts, in particular the Intergenerational programs to City Council. In general, she suggested that stronger presence by the Commission at Council would be helpful. Regarding the 710 tunnel, Dr. Khubesarian reported that they have successfully put new language in the sales tax bill to keep those funds from going towards future tunnel construction.

**9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

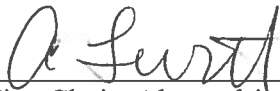
There were no additional comments.

**10. STAFF LIAISON**

No report was provided.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Levitt adjourned the Regular Meeting of the South Pasadena Senior Commission at 9:30 am.



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Vice Chair, Alexandria Levitt

Minutes approved by the Commission on 8-10-14.

