



Senior Citizens Advisory Board Agenda

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Announcement Regarding: Compliance with Open Meeting Law**
3. Commemoration of Kathleen Bienenstein
4. **Public Comment:** Comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters on the agenda for action. If you wish to be heard, come forward and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited.
5. For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the Regular Meeting of March 3, 2022
6. Discussion for possible action regarding potential nominees for the Senior Recognition Award – All Wards
7. Report by Gregory Gray, Management Analyst I, Office of Community Services, regarding senior issues received by the Office of Community Services – All Wards
8. Report by Board members regarding senior issues and events within their Council wards and at large – All Wards
9. Discussion regarding topics for future agenda items of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board. Comments made during this portion of the agenda by individual members must refer solely to proposals for future agenda items and any discussion must be limited to whether or not such proposed items are within the purview of the Board and whether such proposed items shall be placed on a future agenda. No discussion regarding the substance of any such proposed topic shall occur and no action shall be taken.
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11. **Adjournment**

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One member of the ward is seeking a reverse mortgage. He found help with Dave Zaharia, Housing / HECM Counselor at Neighborhood Housing Services of Southern Nevada, 1849 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, NV 89030.³ The 28 page HUD booklet, "Use Your Home to Stay at Home" © was most helpful to begin with. A copy can be found at https://reverse.mortgage/media/stay_home.pdf

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Finally, in my trauma education, a free sample from the beginning of the book, *What Happened to You*, is available from

https://play.google.com/store/books/details?pcampaignid=books_read_action&id=BreDwAAOBAJ.

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³ E-mail: dzaharia@mynhssn.org, P: (702) 649-0998 ext 1224 • F: (702) 649-0702, Email app@mynhssn.org for NHSSN Property Mgmt. Info. Note: My work hours are Mon – Thurs 7:00 am – 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

John A Perazzo
Member, Ward 5

Enclosures:

■ Senior Law, Nevada Revised Statutes, 22419 Tue; subject look up ⁴

■ Evelyn Bonner Drapes Points of Difficulty 2020 - 2021 Section 8 housing ⁵

■ Boyd young at heart rules final 04-10-2022 14.02.pdf ⁶

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Evelyn Bonner Drapes
Points of Difficulty
2020 - 2021
Section 8 / Senior housing

1. Apartment issuing a 30-day eviction notice no longer honoring her section 8 status.
2. Having to apply for independent senior living communities in person.
3. Section 8 inspection delays?
4. Paperwork completion checklist, status.
5. Buffer zones: moving and storage, people to help, a place to stay.
6. Lengthy lease agreement and HUD information (49 pages). Blank lease agreements and information available to read without stress first?
7. Discharge without social worker communication (11 pm).
8. Non-communication of name or location of independent care home, written notice, pinned to clothes?, prescriptions.
9. Coordination of efforts, continuity of care givers
10. NV Energy?
11. Move in?

Some one from section 8 housing to speak to the board and address possible improvements after reviewing her case? [Applications for most Housing Programs](#)?¹

Of particular interest to May 5th, 2022, meeting is NRS 427A, SERVICES TO AGING PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, point (b), "the best possible physical and mental health which science can make available and without regard to economic status." I think casinos need to make their case here honestly, dispassionately and respectfully speaking, without a modern day Thomas Midgley and his tetraethyl lead.¹

"GENERAL PROVISIONS, SERVICES TO AGING PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

NRS 427A.010 Declaration of legislative purpose. The Legislature finds and declares that:

1. The older people of our state are entitled to receive, and it is the joint and several duty and responsibility of the state and local governments to provide, within the limits of available resources, assistance to secure equal opportunity to the full and free enjoyment of the following objectives:

- (a) An adequate income in retirement.
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- (c) Suitable housing, independently selected, designed and located with reference to special needs and available at costs which older citizens can afford.
- (d) Full restorative services for those who require institutional care.
- (e) Opportunity for employment with no discriminatory personnel practices because of age.
- (f) Retirement in health, honor and dignity.
- (g) Pursuit of meaningful activity within the widest range of civic, cultural and recreational opportunities.
- (h) Efficient community services which provide social assistance in a coordinated manner and which are readily available when needed.
- (i) Immediate benefit from proven research knowledge which can sustain and improve health and happiness.
- (j) Freedom, independence and the free exercise of individual initiative in planning and managing their own lives.
- (k) The benefit of balanced nutrition.
- (l) Adequate day care center services.

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The following search in no particular alphabetical order was completed with the help of <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrsindex/S.html>

Senior citizens' facilities and programs, tax for, [360.880-360.895](#), [ch. 377A](#)

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Thrift companies, [677.673-677.707](#)

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Toll-free telephone number for reports, [200.5093](#)

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1. Item # 3, Commemoration of Kathleen Bienenstein.

This year, I've begun to focus on trauma and how to maintain being trauma free. There is not much more traumatic than death.

I was looking forward to getting to know Member Bienenstein much better, to learn about her background in Michigan and how she applied what she learned there to her work on the board here. Upon reflection, her commitment to timeliness seems to be a major point. "Keep to the agenda", "be aware of your three minutes", "be brief but complete", and "work with your councilman" are summaries I've come up with. You?

I still don't like death. Nevertheless, I am grateful for Member Bienenstein and her priceless presence that she shared here. Peace.

2. Item #6, Senior Recognition Award.

I appreciate the discussion in March about the award. I withdraw my submission for Valley Hospital Emergency Unit for the pertinent points that all members expressed.

I had wondered about a City Employee,

but am still

gathering details from HR and Parks and Rec.

I resigned myself that Nina Tan had already been recognized and re-read Chair O'Rear-Cameron's timeline summary of our last award background. Do you agree with the sticking points I've listed in response to Evelyn Bonner Drapes story?

3. Ward 5 report.

Thank you for the Senior Citizens' City newsletter. It's nice to see the celebration for those over 90 return. I was also surprised not to see the regular events (or at least a link) that are going on when my sister asked me about the art exhibit at the Brush street (Charleston Heights) art gallery. When I looked on the City's website, all I found was the general information about the facility and options for renting. There was no link on that page for current events. The help button was helpful and just received an answer to my question and a link to the proper page.

The Doolittle community garden is getting it's paths weeded. The beds scheduled for rebuilding have not begun. The full time Master Gardener is helpful.

I've signed up for a couple of webinars. One next week on communities of excellence where Executive Director Stephanie Norling will share the details of the National Learning Collaborative and how to get involved. We will also have current and former Learning Collaborative participants available to answer your questions and talk about their own experiences.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/communities-of-excellence-learning-collaborative-informational-webinar-tickets-310064740987?keep_tld=1

Another webinar this summer (July 12th) is from the US Census bureau on "Your Community by the Numbers: Community Development"

<https://www.census.gov/data/academy/webinars/2022/back-to-data-basics-series/data-for-community-development.html>). The goal is to learn how to use data.census.gov to access the most current and relevant demographic, socioeconomic, and housing statistics about your community. During this training, you will learn about the American Community Survey (ACS) and other Census Bureau programs, geographies, and datasets available. This training is recommended for all data users.

Chair O'Rear-Cameron mentioned her concern regarding casinos and the care of seniors. I'm submitting a copy of Boyd Gaming's local "Young at Heart" rules and a list of Nevada Revised Statutes which deal with senior citizens. At a presentation on elder abuse three years ago at Doolittle Senior Center by someone from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department ("Metro"), the officer was careful to warn his listeners that offering to help seniors but not following through was against the law. Is there an implied caring aspect in casinos who have special marketing to seniors? I don't know. Our laws seem to be a balance of freedom and protection but perhaps leaning more towards freedom than protection. What do you think?

The Nevada Gaming Control Board (the Board) requires "each licensee that engages in the issuance of credit, check cashing, or the direct mail marketing of gaming opportunities, to implement a program containing the elements described below, as appropriate, that allows patrons to self-limit their access to the issuance of credit, check cashing, or direct mail marketing by that licensee."¹ The challenge to this, as Phillip Ryan's letter to the Board in April of 2013, is that self-limiting has to be done with every single licensee. There is no "integrated regulatory regime into state compacts which will ensure that all responsible gaming (money limits) are centrally administered." In the bad old days, even 10 years ago, one casino downtown had a bank set up shop inside the casino. Being a bank, they were not subject to the rules of the Board, and did not care if you had "self-limited" yourself. There needs to be one place to self limit and that needs to cover on-line, interstate betting as well.

¹ 5.170 Programs to address problem gambling. REGULATION 5 OPERATION OF GAMING ESTABLISHMENTS, <https://gaming.nv.gov/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=2945>
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