



Senior Citizens Advisory Board Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Minutes:

CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON and MEMBERS WEINSTEIN HALL (via teleconference), GALATI, MOZDEAN, PATTARETTU, DRUMM (via teleconference), and GRAHAM

EXCUSED: MEMBER LEE

ALSO PRESENT: GREGORY GRAY, Management Analyst I, JEFF DOROCAK, City Attorney, CHEYENNE LARANCE, Senior Deputy City Clerk, and VANESSA CHAVEZ-HOLMAN, Deputy City Clerk

2. Announcement Regarding: Compliance with Open Meeting Law

Minutes:

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE: This meeting has been properly noticed and posted at the following locations in accordance with the noticing standards as outlined in NRS 241.020: City Hall, 495 South Main Street, 1st Floor; the City of Las Vegas website – www.lasvegasnevada.gov; and the Nevada Public Notice website – notice.nv.gov.

3. 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.

Minutes:

None.

4. For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the Regular Meeting of August 3, 2023

Motion made by Yvette Weinstein Hall to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

For-Yvette Weinstein Hall, Elizabeth Pattarettu, Deanne O'Rear-Cameron, Vito Galati, Caroline Mozdean, Jennifer Drumm, Nicole Graham; Excused-Charles Lee;

5. Presentation by Senior Medicare Patrol regarding health literacy for seniors

Minutes:

This item was trailed as the speaker was not present. See Item 9 for related discussion.

6. Report by Gregory Gray, Management Analyst I, Department of Neighborhood Services, regarding senior issues received by the Department of Neighborhood Services – All Wards

Minutes:

GREGORY GRAY, Management Analyst I, provided an update regarding hiring a part-time hourly staff member for Senior Services to provide general guidance and resources for seniors in need through active adult centers.

7. Report by Board members regarding senior issues and events within their Council wards and at large – All Wards

Minutes:

Ward 1 – MEMBER GRAHAM said she had nothing to report at this time.

Ward 2 – MEMBER GALATI said he attended and helped with a 9/11 memorial event sponsored by the Las Vegas 1013 Club, a group of retired New York City Police Officers. He remarked on how impressive the memorial and park both were, encouraging all to visit. He noted he was able to speak with COUNCILWOMEN FRANCIS ALLEN-PALENSKE and VICTORIA SEAMAN, COUNCILMAN CEDRIC CREAR and LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR STAVROS ANTHONY while at the event and hopes more people will attend next year. Additionally, he said he attended the monthly meeting at the Veterans Memorial Center, which is not only a great opportunity for citizens to ask questions and state concerns, but a wonderful chance for members of the Board to bond and share ideas with the community. Lastly, he informed the Board he came across AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) Livable Communities that offer seminars of information and considers it a great place for possible grant opportunities.

Ward 2 – MEMBER WEINSTEIN HALL stated she spoke with COUNCILWOMAN SEAMAN and SHELLEY BERKLEY regarding their desire to help the seniors in any way they can, if either are elected as Mayor. She also reminded everyone of the Las Vegas Book Festival that is scheduled for October 21 in Downtown Las Vegas at the Fifth Street School, and she urged the Members to attend.

Ward 3 – MEMBER DRUMM said she attended National Night Out on behalf of the Board last Tuesday which had been a beautiful event. She reminded members of Senior Appreciation Month in November and added a new Big Brothers Big Sisters had opened in Ward 3. She suggested encouraging seniors to become mentors as it would be a good opportunity for both the children and seniors.

Ward 4 – CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON stated she attended a town hall with COUNCILWOMAN ALLEN-PALENSKE for Ward 6, an event at the YMCA and the Sun City Health Fair. She also reminded everyone of the Spotlight Spectacular on October 21, as well as next week being National Aging in Place week, of which you can find more information about on www.AgingInPlace.org. Additionally, she will be on City Access next week to discuss the needs of seniors with COUNCILWOMAN ALLEN-PALENSKE. In response to MEMBER GALATI'S mention of the AARP grants, CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON said she had been trying for those grants every year and has been unsuccessful, but she intends to keep trying.

Ward 6 – MEMBER MOZDEAN announced Ward 6 had been busy with the 1 October memorial celebration, Fire Station 46 grand opening and COUNCILWOMAN NANCY BRUNE visiting the Las Vegas Farm. She reminded everyone of the following upcoming events: Meet Up with Brune on October 12 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. at the Centennial Hills YMCA, the grand opening of the newest pickleball court on October 13, Movie in the Park on October 13 at 7:00 p.m., the Halloween Trunk or Treat Spooktacular at the Centennial Hills Community Center on October 27 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and the Shredding Event on November 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Centennial Hills Community Center.

Ward 6 – MEMBER PATTARETTU attended a presentation by Dignity Health at The YMCA. She says it was the first time hearing about MAP (Medical Assistance Program) and suggested they come to speak with the Board to provide further information. Additionally, she mentioned RTC (Regional Transportation Commission) is coming to Centennial Hills Senior Center on October 17 at 10:00 a.m., and she requested COUNCILWOMAN BRUNE to attend.

8. Discussion for possible action regarding next steps and future meeting topics of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board – All Wards

Minutes:

MEMBER PATTARETTU said that the information she was provided with at Dignity Health was a bit confusing

and would like the person who spoke at the event to come back and provide further information. CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON noted it was the speaker who was supposed to attend today and they will have to reschedule.

MEMBER MOZDEAN added she would like to start discussing voting assistance for seniors. She suggested having a speaker appear to tell them the plans for voting this year. MEMBER GALATI said he has always been very interested in getting seniors to the polls; however he is not aware how much information seniors receive and wondered if the library could be a hub of information for seniors. CHAIR O'REAR CAMERON noted it had been discussed prior, but some communities were not open to the idea of their assistance due to corporate policies. She suggested making a list of communities that are open to assistance. MEMBER GALATI proposed posting flyers and posters in libraries to spread the word for seniors.

CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON said if there is funding for flyers, she would also like to post copies of the meeting schedule to encourage more participation. MEMBER MOZDEAN mentioned she had previously discussed with COUNCILWOMAN NANCY BRUNE about arranging a form of transportation to get seniors to City Hall.

MEMBER MOZDEAN inquired with GREGORY GRAY, Management Analyst I, the topics that were previously discussed. MR. GRAY stated he did not have the information readily available but he would e-mail it to them.

9. **Citizens Participation:** Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Board. No subject may be acted upon by the Board unless that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action. If you wish to be heard, come forward and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion on any single subject, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited.

Minutes:

CITY ATTORNEY JEFF DOROCK noted Item 5 would be skipped as the speaker for Senior Medicare Patrol did not appear, but if and when staff is able to make contact they will put the item back on the agenda.

10. **Adjournment**

Minutes:


CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON advised the next Senior Citizens Advisory Board meeting would be held on November 2, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Vanessa Chavez-Holman, Deputy City Clerk



Gregory Gray, Management Analyst I

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