



Senior Citizens Advisory Board Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Minutes:

CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

PRESENT: CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON and MEMBERS GRAHAM, MOZDEAN, LEE, TILZER, and YOUNG (excused until 1:05 p.m.)

EXCUSED: MEMBERS GALATI and DRUMM

ALSO PRESENT: OLGA FLOWERS, Community Program Technician; PAUL MATA, Deputy City Attorney III; and NICK CRAWFORD, 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: Civic Center Building A, 525 South Main Street, 1st Floor; City Hall, 495 South Main Street, 1st Floor; and the City of Las Vegas website - www.lasvegasnevada.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.

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None.

4. For possible action to approve the Final Minutes by reference of the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2025

Motion made by Caroline Mozdean to Approve

NOTE: Due to technological issues, the video does not reflect the vote accurately. Please see below for accurate voting information.

Passed For: 5; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 3

For-Deanne O'Rear-Cameron, Caroline Mozdean, Charles Lee, Nicole Graham, David Tilzer; Excused-Vito Galati, Jennifer Drumm, Linda Young;

5. Presentation by Shauna Brennan, Chief Advocacy Attorney for the Rights of Older Persons and Persons with a Physical Disability, an Intellectual Disability, or a Related Condition, State of Nevada, regarding attorney duties and powers under NRS (Nevada Revised Statutes) Chapter 427A and Assembly Bill 461 for aging persons and persons with disabilities - All Wards

Minutes:

SHAUNA BRENNAN, Advocacy Rights Attorney, utilized a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was submitted for the record, to offer an overview of the ADSD (Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division) Advocacy Rights Attorney services and priorities. She shared her professional background, noting that she is a

graduate of Notre Dame Law School and was appointed to her position by GOVERNOR JOE LOMBARDO. She serves as a Legal Assistance Developer and is a member of the Nevada Guardianship Commission. MS. BRENNAN stated that the objective of her office is to support legal rights, coordinate and provide oversight of legal assistance, and identify and mitigate abuse of older and vulnerable adults, including persons with physical disabilities, intellectual disabilities, or developmental disabilities. She explained that she is legally designated as a subject matter expert and may provide technical legal assistance to boards or collaborate with Legal Aid (Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada). She clarified that her office operates in a bipartisan manner and does not engage in policy advocacy; however, she may offer legal opinions in circumstances where there is no statutory authority in Nevada and laws differ among states. She noted that her office can facilitate legal resource development initiatives, such as the implementation of legal kiosks in self-help centers and libraries. MS. BRENNAN reported that her office receives referrals from Adult Protective Services and the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, noting that her office represents the individual and does not represent the State of Nevada. She planned to develop a financial management service over the next year and would present additional details at a future date. Additionally, her role as a State Legal Assistance Developer allows her to coordinate legal assistance and may serve as a friend of the court. She reviewed ongoing issues being addressed by her office, including housing stability and eviction legal defense, abuse of Power of Attorney, and matters related to hospice care and aging in place. MS. BRENNAN reported that AB (Assembly Bill) 461 directed ADSD to implement a long-term care program that includes insurance and financial planning resources, thereby expanding ADSD's responsibility to maintain a comprehensive resource database. She shared that ADSD would develop a dedicated website to provide additional resources, conduct a public awareness campaign, and launch an outreach pilot program, which she anticipated to be available in 2026.

MEMBER GRAHAM asked when the long-term care program would be launched in 2026. MS. BRENNAN explained that multiple groups were involved in developing the website and noted that a report was due to the Nevada Legislature by February 1st, which would be made available to the public. She added that program information would be disseminated to similar boards and professional associations so they could share the information with their constituents.

MEMBER TILZER asked whether residents who visit a hospital or rehabilitation facility would be guaranteed placement back into their existing residence or into a new temporary residence. MS. BRENNAN explained that placement depends on individual circumstances; however, she emphasized her commitment to returning individuals to their original housing, with the primary goal of preventing patients from becoming unhoused due to hospitalization. She stated that if an individual's health condition changes and they are unable to return home, the ADSD FOCIS (Facility Outreach Community Integration Services) Program assists with applying and qualifying for alternative housing. She added that individuals receiving existing services typically have a case manager, which streamlines placement. MS. BRENNAN concluded that clearer identification of who would voluntarily assume responsibility of discharged patients would be further refined to prevent homelessness.

MEMBER YOUNG wondered how patients with visual and hearing impairments are supported. MS. BRENNAN stated that requirements for medical facilities changed in 2025 to mandate the provision of direct and immediate assistance for individuals with visual and hearing impairments. She was unsure whether changes had been fully implemented but encouraged individuals to contact her office if assistance was needed. She stated that medical facilities are legally obligated to provide a translator or appropriate technology to ensure patients can understand information and provide informed consent. The Member asked whether subgrants were available to organizations and community groups to acquire resources that would improve communication with their members. MS. BRENNAN offered to research available grants, including funding amounts, availability timelines, and eligibility requirements.

MEMBER LEE asked who a discharged patient should contact if they do not have a residence to return to. MS. BRENNAN explained that homeless shelters accept certain individuals but clarified that acceptance depends on factors such as the individual's condition, medication, or diagnosis, which she identified as a gap in services. She stated that social workers within medical facilities may be the most appropriate resource to assist in these situations. She explained that a meeting would be held to identify appropriate service providers and community partners to address this need.

MEMBER GRAHAM asked if they collaborated with other organizations to address patients that become unhoused following their hospital stay. MS. BRENNAN shared that data analysis was underway to identify systemic issues, noting that outreach efforts had begun to form partnerships and associations. She was open to connections with organizations to build collaborative relationships, to which MEMBER GRAHAM offered to connect her with Dementia Friendly Nevada.

Regarding AB 461, CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON questioned how resources would be vetted as outreach efforts expand. MS. BRENNAN explained that government entities cannot endorse one private company or business over another. She stated that the resources listed on their website would be required to be licensed, bonded, and insured. The Chair emphasized that the website must encourage constituents to conduct research into listed resources once the website is launched. MS. BRENNAN agreed and invited suggestions.

MEMBER YOUNG asked whether referrals are provided to grandparents concerned about the care of their grandchildren in other states or countries. MS. BRENNAN clarified that her office provides resources and services only to grandparents who are raising their grandchildren. She explained that enforcement of laws would depend on the jurisdiction where the child resides. She advised that AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) may be the most appropriate resource for these situations and reiterated that her office's primary focus is the protection of older individuals.

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

Minutes:

On behalf of GREGORY GRAY, Management Analyst I, OLGA FLOWERS, Community Program Technician, stated that she had nothing to report.

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

Minutes:

Ward 1 - MEMBER GRAHAM reported that Three Square was hosting several senior community events in December. She shared that the Department of Neighborhood Services and REACH (Research, Education and Access to Community Health) would conduct onsite community outreach at Lumina on January 15th and 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Ward 4 - MEMBER TILZER stated that it was Older Driver Safety Awareness Week and encouraged seniors to participate in driving school classes to assess their driving abilities. He encouraged seniors to review their Medicare and Medicaid monthly summaries to help prevent fraudulent activity. He reported that the Holiday Outdoor Concert held in Sun City on December 1st was attended by approximately 250 people. He added that several Sun City restaurants were offering Christmas Eve dinners and the New Years Party was sold out. He concluded that the Sun City Summerlin Community Document Shredding Event was held on November 15th.

Ward 4 - CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON encouraged seniors to ensure that their benefits are properly submitted to their respective insurance companies. She had received complaints regarding document preparation companies and stated that the Nevada Secretary of State was taking enforcement action against companies making decisions without proper licensure. She encouraged seniors to remain informed about candidates running for their HOA (homeowner's association) boards and ensure their interests are represented. She invited everyone to sign up for the Ward 4 newsletter to receive information on upcoming events and noted that the City of Las Vegas offers a newsletter specifically dedicated to senior events and information.

Ward 5 - MEMBER LEE urged people to download the Waze application to assist with navigating Downtown Las Vegas during ongoing construction.

Ward 6 - MEMBER MOZDEAN suggested subscribing to as many newsletters as possible to stay informed of available resources and events. She reported that the Tamales and Mariachi Festival would be held on December 6th at the Las Vegas Civic Center and Plaza from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Additionally, she shared that Cowboy Christmas and the Classic Car Show is scheduled for December 6th at Floyd Lamb Park at Tule Springs.

8. Discussion regarding next steps and future meeting topics of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board - All Wards

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MEMBER TILZER shared that the phone number for the Health and Human Services fraud line is 1-800-447-8477.

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.

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None.

10. **Adjournment**

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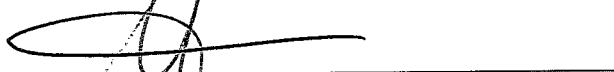
CHAIR O'REAR-CAMERON advised that the next Board meeting would be held on January 8, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Nick Crawford, Deputy City Clerk



Gregory Gray, Management Analyst I

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NOTICING STANDARDS AS OUTLINED IN NRS 241.020:

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