

MINUTES

FREMONT SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Friday, November 20, 2020

9:30 – 11:00 am

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Commissioner Young called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Davis, Desai, Hamze, Helton, Hoyne, Narasimhan, Wasserman, Yamasaki, Yee and Young

Absent: Commissioner Helmond

Excused: None

3. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

All present said the salute to the flag.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2020

5. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

6. **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

The email comments submitted shall become part of the record of the Commission meeting.

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

**7.1 WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) AND AARP
AGE-FRIENDLY ACTION PLAN UPDATE**

Karen Grimsich, Administrator

- Karen Grimsich reported that the Age-Friendly Action Plan has now been posted on the World Health Organization website as well as the state, county and city sites.

- Karen shared that hard copies of the document will also be mailed.

7.2 SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION CODE REVIEW –

Commissioner Yamasaki

- Karen shared information on the outline that describes what the different sections will be on the Senior Citizens Commission brochure when put together.
- Suzanne Shenfil reminded the commission that they need to remember to cross-check against the original mandate from the City of Fremont.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 FY 2020-2021 Social Services Grant Mid-Year Evaluation Process

Leticia Leyva, Management Analyst II

- Leticia Leyva explained how the Social Services Grant mid-year review works and what is changing due to Covid-19.
- Leticia shared what the 4 agencies are that we have provided funds to.
- This year, the site visits will be done virtually due to Covid-19
- Mid-year questionnaire is the same over the years.
 - Shared additional questions that Human Relations Commission asked to be added to the questionnaire
 - The Human Services Deputy Director, Arquimides Caldera is helping with the wording of these questions.
- Leticia also shared what the department is doing is trying to help agencies with PPE since most of them do not have the expense of these items in their budgets.
- The commissioners were asked to sign up for as many site visits as they would like, since all the visits are being done virtually.
- Questions and Answers
- Leticia reviewed what has changed on the Mid-Year Evaluation.
- Leticia shared that the timeline has been extended out to allow for the changes of doing the evaluation during Covid-19.
- Commissioner Ashok made a motion to approve the mid-year questionnaire, manager evaluation and the mid-year evaluation process/timeline as presented by staff. Provide staff with availability for visiting sites and chose a site to visit.
- Commissioner Yamasaki seconded the motion and the vote was taken.

Yays: Commissioners Davis, Desai, Hamze, Helton, Hoyne, Narasimhan, Wasserman, Yamasaki, Yee and Young

Nays: None

Abstain: None

9. COMMISSION REPORTS

9.1 Health Issues/Senior Safety – Commissioners Helton and Hoyne

- Shared information on the different vaccines that seniors be sure they are getting.

9.2 Marketing Outreach – Commissioners Davis and Yee

- No report as no meeting has been held.

9.3 Senior Legislation – Commissioner Desai

- No report as there is no new information.

9.4 Tri-City Senior Commissioner Coordination – Commissioners Helm, Helton, Hoyne and Young

- No report

9.5 Tri-City Elder Coalition – Commissioners Desai, Wasserman, Yee and Young

- Commissioner Young reported that a newsletter was recently sent out. She will send an electronic version of this email to Lynn who will forward it to all commissioners.

10. COMMISSION REFERRALS

None

11. STAFF REPORTS

11.1 Aging and Family Services – Karen Grimsich, Administrator AFS

- Karen shared that the digital inclusion project is moving forward:
 - Survey
 - Training with Grandpad (30 clients)
 - Google device (testing with clients)
 - Discussion with seniors on technology

- This project will be in place for the next year.
- Karen also shared how the clients were chosen for using the Grandpad and Google device.

11.2 Senior Center – Aisha Jasper, Senior Center Manager

- Aisha asked if any of the commissioners would be willing to make phone calls to other senior centers to find out how they are serving their seniors during this time as well as other information she would like gathered.
- Aisha shared that starting in October, the newsletter is starting to be mailed to those who do not have access to email/internet.
 - This mailing included a copy of the technology survey.
- The Senior Center has a new name: Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth.
- Looking at different ways to inform the public of the name change.
- Aisha shared the number of meals the chefs have been putting out during this time.
- Aisha announced the department is now using ActiveNet and encouraged the commissioners to all set up an account.
- The newsletter is now being translated into Chinese.
 - Posted on the website each month
 - Starting in December it will also be emailed with the English version.
- Aisha shared that starting on November 30, the Age Well Center building will be shared with Recreation for their Pod Learning Program.
 - This is being done due to the Winter Shelter being held at the Teen Center this year.
 - For safety, the building is divided for use of Recreation staff/students and Age Well staff .
- Aisha shared that the work being done on the Age Well Center (floors and outside painting) is completed.
- Progress on the South Fremont Center was shared.
- The holiday closure dates for the city was shared

12. COMMISSION COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 am

Respectfully submitted by Lynn R Hood, Recording Secretary