

COMMISSION ON AGING MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023, 4 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair DuBois, Vice Chair Straight, and Commissioners Moti, DeBus,

Roberts, Kelley and Bash

ABSENT: Commissioner Keller

STAFF PRESENT: Marnie Smith and Pamela Galera

ALSO PRESENT: Shirley DeSantiago and Karina Mariscal

Chair DuBois convened the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Pete Benaridez spoke regarding low or no vision programs at Blind Support Services, and Shari Fleischman spoke regarding Riverside Purple Boat Float

PRESENTATION

RIVERSIDE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES CURTAILING ABUSE RELATED TO THE ELDERLY (C.A.R.E) PROGRAM

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Commission received and ordered filed the Riverside County Department of Public Social Services C.A.R.E Program presentation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Following discussion and without formal motion, the consent calendar was continued to the November meeting.

MINUTES

The minutes of the September 21, 2023, meeting were continued to November meeting.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

COMMISSION ON AGING DRAFT WORKPLAN

The Commission on Aging provided feedback on a draft Annual Work Plan to address agenda topics, outreach efforts, topics of interest, and proposed areas of need by addressing Strategic Plan Priorities such as (1) Arts, Culture and Recreation by creating



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socialization programs for seniors; (2) Community Well Being by focusing on Housing, Healthcare and socialization, reviewing housing eligibility waitlist, and creating a list of all available housing; (3) Environmental Stewardship by volunteering with services like Keep Riverside Clean Beautiful and requesting presentations from similar organizations; and (4) Infrastructure, Mobility & Connectivity by forming a list of biking and walking paths.

Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Roberts and seconded by Commissioner DeBus to continue discussion to November meeting. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Keller absent

COMMUNICATIONS

ADVOCACY AD HOC COMMITTEE

Commissioner DeBus announced the Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee met on October 6, 2023, to discuss AARP Age-Friendly Community Survey distribution at various senior sites throughout Riverside.

EVENTS AD HOC COMMITTEE

Commissioner Kelley announced the Events Ad Hoc Committee met to discuss the Holiday Cards.

RESOURCES AD HOC COMMITTEE

There was no update from the Resources Ad Hoc Committee.

EMERGENCY AD HOC COMMITTEE

Vice Chair Straight announced a future Emergency Preparedness presentation.

<u>UPDATES ON CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND REGIONAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY</u> COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Roberts reported on Bordwell Park Advisory meeting on September 20, 2023, where she presented the AARP Survey to the board and Martin Luther King Club. Commissioner Kelley will present the holiday card at the Commission's November meeting. Commissioner DeBus attended Goeske Health Fair. Commissioner Moti will go to Bordwell Park to encourage seniors to complete survey and reported on UCR community neighborhoods completion of the AARP Age Friendly Surveys. Vice Chair Straight



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attended the Path of Life Ministry 25th Anniversary event. Chair DuBois attended Inland Coalition on Aging on September 29, 2023, met with Councilperson Edwards on October 4, 2023, to discuss ICA relating to Commission on Aging goals, attended the Advocacy Meeting Task Force on October 5th, met with Pete and Brenda from Blindness Support Services on October 10th to discuss funding for people with low or no vision, made an appointment at La Sierra Senior Center to educate on the AARP Age Friendly Survey, and attended the Path of Life Ministry event on October 12th.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Commissioner Kelley requested a presentation from Shari Fleischman on the Resource Center, and asked staff to add Commission on Aging Budget report for discussion at a future meeting. Commissioner DeBus requested a presentation from Keep Riverside Clean and Beautiful. Chair DuBois requested that Vice-Chair Straight give an update from the small group meetings.

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The Commission on Aging adjourned at 6:10 p.m.	
Respectfully submitted,	

MARNIE SMITH
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