



City of Arts & Innovation

**MINUTES
COMMISSION ON AGING**

Monday, February 20, 2020, 9:30 a.m.
Dales Senior Center
3936 Chestnut Street, Riverside, CA 92501

Commissioners Present: Broach, Gillis, Jimenez, Keller, Kelly, Uhuti, Van Doren, Whitehead

Commissioners Absent: Tavaglione

Staff Present: Marnie Smith, Recreation Services Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Broach called meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD –

Rich Gardner, Ward 4, Consider building a central location for senior services in the Gray Belt.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Vice Broach read the Standing Rules of the Commission on Aging for the City of Riverside

2. Commissioners to serve on Ad-Hoc Committees and items to be discussed

i. Advocacy (Age-Friendly Community)

Commissioners: Broach, Van Doren, Uhuti, Keller

Items to address: AARP (affordable housing for seniors), transportation, consider attending AARP meeting 1st Saturday of each month at the Janet Goeske Center 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

ii. Events (Purple Boat Float)

Commissioners: Kelley, Jimenez, Whitehead, Tavaglione

Items to address: Partnership with Purple Alliance on the Purple Boat Float, list of senior conferences, fairs and seminars.

iii. Resources (Brochure, Facebook Page, Fliers)

Commissioners: Jimenez, Van Doren, Broach, Keller

Items to address: Consider creating a brochure and/or flier, seek marketing materials, update Facebook page. Would like the COA Budget.

iv. Emergency Preparedness for Seniors

Commissioners: Jimenez, Gillis

Items to address: Resources for emergency plans for seniors

3. Senior Concerns

Commissioner Uhuti mentioned limited space at Stratton Center for seniors and homeless, purposed solution is meet with the coordinator and discuss resolutions.

Commissioner Kelley attended Councilman Condors meeting; discussion included a recommendation to build a senior center in Ward 4.

Commissioner Gillis shared that there are resources for senior living alternatives and to contact Office on Aging or Adult Protective Services. Brief discussion about the OOA and APS.

Commissioner Keller inquired about the Commission on Disabilities and how to they handle concerns.

Commissioner Van Doren suggested there be a follow up on the item's seniors bring up during public comment. Brief discussion followed.

4. Commission Goals for 2020

Focus on visibility and its effectiveness

Work to improve senior situations

COA to be added to the Explore Riverside quarterly magazine

5. Commission's Recommendations to City Council 2020

Last year Chair Fleischman addressed Council, however, commissioners were not given a chance to participate.

Please get the date for the 2020 recommendation.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY COMMISSION MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Broach adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:01 a.m. The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 16, 2020, 4 p.m. at Art Pick Council Chambers, 3900 Main Street.