

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2019
LONG BEACH SENIOR CENTER
1150 EAST 4TH STREET, ROOM 202
LONG BEACH, CA 90802, 9AM, 9:00 AM**

Robert Finney, Chair
Winifred W. Carter, Commissioner
Don Darnauer, Commissioner
Flora Easter, Commissioner



Mary Alice Sedillo, Commissioner
William Smith, Commissioner
Naida Tushnet, Commissioner
Michele Valencia, Commissioner
Yosh Yamanaka, Commissioner

ROLL CALL

At 9:03 a.m., Commissioner Finney, called the meeting to order.

Commissioners Winifred Carter, Don Darnauer, Mary Sedillo, William Smith,
Present: Naida Tushnet, Michele Valencia and Robert Finney

Commissioners Flora Easter and Yosh Yamanaka

Absent:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Sedillo led the flag salute.

READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

Commissioner Valencia read the mission statement.

Advocate for new thinking and science on aging for the culturally diverse population of Older adults in Long Beach and broaden knowledge in the areas of education, safety, housing, health, transportation, technology and the quality of life.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation to approve the minutes for the meeting held June 12, 2019.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the the minutes for the meeting held June 12, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Winifred Carter, Don Darnauer, Mary Sedillo, William Smith, Naida Tushnet, Michele Valencia and Robert Finney

Absent: 2 - Flora Easter and Yosh Yamanaka

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GUEST SPEAKER

Meggan Sorensen, Development Project Manager - Housing & Neighborhood Services Bureau gave a presentation on affordable housing.

STAFF REPORT

Ted Stevens, Recreation Superintendent reported that July is Recreation Month and Parks, Recreation & Marine have a lot going on and they gave a presentation at a recent City Council Meeting. He gave an update on a homeless incident reported by a local resident last month, PD and Homeless Services were contacted and made them aware of situation.

Ted Stevens announced he had a meeting with Expo people and they are in the process of transitioning over to adding an extra day to the program. He also received a proposal from CSULB Lifefit regarding fitness classes at the Community Centers.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Community Relations - Commissioners Darnauer and Smith

Commissioner Darnauer reported that the kitchen was upgraded at Chavez Park and Willmore City baking is going to start a free baking class for Seniors.

B. Crime Prevention and Safety - Commissioners Carter and Finney - NONE

C. Health - Commissioners Sedillo, Tushnet, and Yamanaka

Commissioner Sedillo reported the leading cause of blindness in Seniors is expected to double by 2050. She also reported that an older gentleman with schizophrenia was missing and "LA FOUND" was able to track him down with a trackable bracelet.

D. Housing - Commissioners Sedillo, Easter, and Carter

Commissioner Sedillo reported the Long Beach Community Investment Company celebrated the grand opening of a 5 unit affordable housing in the 3rd district.

E. Legislation - Commissioners Tushnet and Yamanaka - NONE

F. Technology - Commissioner Finney - NONE

G. Transportation - Commissioners Darnauer, Easter, and Smith

Commissioner Darnauer reported seniors are interested in Passport services. The Committee will start holding meetings to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Commissioner Finney discussed the roles and duties of Standing Committees, and commissioners decided which committees they would be representing.
2. Commissioners reviewed and approved the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission Brochure.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Patron expressed his concerns of the burden of construction on 4th & Orange and his difficulties getting to the Senior Center.

NEXT MEETING

The General meeting of the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission will be held August 14, 2019 at 9:00 am, at Long Beach Senior Center located at 1150 E. 4th Street - Room #202, Long Beach 90802.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:54 a.m., Commissioner Finney adjourned the meeting.

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