

Emeryville Senior Center Commission on Aging

ACTION RECAP

Regular Meeting of January 11th, 2012

10:00am

I. Meeting called to order 10:00am

Members Present: Chair Jerry Fishman, Vice Chair Jim Golden, Judi Oser, Kathryn Connell, Susan Penner, Ann Nelson, Council Member Nora Davis, and Vice Mayor Kurt Brinkman.

Members Absent: Joyce Jacobsen (excused), Lillie Moseley (excused)

Staff Present: Youth and Adult Services Manager, Cindy Montero; Adult Services Supervisor, Brad Helfenberger; Administrative Analyst Kevin Laven

Public: EUSD Staff Hayin Kim, EUSD Staff Roy Miller, Betsy Cooley, Rodney Wong

II. Public Comments: None

III. Motion for approval of the minutes from October 12th meeting: Approved

Motion: Jim Golden

Second: Nora Davis

Ayes: 8

Noes: 0

Note: Kathryn Connell was not present for this vote

IV. Action Items

a. Chair/ Co-Chair Elections

Motion to elect Jim Golden as Chair

Motion: Jerry Fishman

Second: Kurt Brinkman

Motion to elect Kathryn Connell as Co-Chair

Motion: Nora Davis

Second: Kurt Brinkman

Ayes: 9

Noes: 0

Note: A single vote was taken for both positions.

V. Information Items

a. ECCL Update & Senior Lounge (Roy Miller & Hayin Kim)

Roy Miller and Hayin Kim gave some background on the progress of the ECCL project. They informed the COA that there is no intention of replacing the Senior Center. The idea of the ECCL is to utilize space that is currently

unused by the ESS, which is estimated to be vacant 60-70% of the time. The community is currently engaged in design workshops, after which there will be a final conceptual design, architectural drawings, and final approval by the State of California. Construction is slated to start in 2013, with construction lasting two years.

- b. Cal-Fresh Cards (Cindy Montero)
Manager Montero gave some information on the Cal-Fresh Program (formerly known as food stamps). It is estimated that 34,000 seniors in Alameda County are eligible for the program, but not taking part. Nora Davis suggested that Cal Fresh be referred to Avalon and EmeryVilla, as they are low-income senior housing facilities, as well as include information in the monthly Senior Center newsletter. (*Staff Note: Information on Cal Fresh was included in the February edition of the Senior Center Newsletter*)
- c. 8 To Go Beverly Foundation Grant (Cindy Montero)
Analyst Laven informed the COA that A-CTC will likely continue to fund 8 To Go for two more years. Analyst Laven will also apply for this grant to supplement the program, which could provide funding of up to \$10,000. Promotional materials for other A-CTC programs were also distributed.
- d. Continuance of discussion of rules, regulations, and mission statement of COA (Joyce Jacobsen)
This item was tabled until the February meeting since Commissioner Jacobsen was not present
- e. Senior Center maximum program capacity (Discussion)
This item was tabled until the February meeting in the interest of time.
- f. PAPCO/8 To Go (Joyce Jacobson)
This item was tabled until the February meeting since Commissioner Jacobsen was not present
- g. Friends of the Emeryville Senior Center (Jim Golden)
Jim reported that the annual financial statement will be available at the February meeting. He also reported that the Annual Holiday Gala was successful. He also informed the COA that a Chinese New Year celebration would be held on February 1st and that several events commemorating Black History Month would be held throughout the month of February. Finally, he encouraged donations for the annual flea market, which will be held April 26-28.
- h. COC Update (Rodney Wong)
COC member Rodney Wong reported that the COC has been meeting for nearly a year and is welcoming comments from the COA. The COC meets every third Wednesday at the Emery Bay Village.

VI. Staff Comments

Manager Montero informed the Commission that the Annual Gumbo Cook-off would be held on January 20th. Supervisor Helfenberger invited everyone to attend the Annual Super Bowl party to be held on February 5th.

VII. Committee Member Comments

Jim Golden informed the COA that the Mosquito Abatement Commission of Alameda County now has a Facebook page. Nora Davis asked staff about the status of the VFW 1010. Supervisor Helfenberger replied that the VFW 1010 was searching for a new Quartermaster and was looking into the possibility of merging with another post. Nora also informed the COA of a photographer interested in adopting an official City Bird.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16am

Submitted by: Brad Helfenberger, Adult Services Supervisor, February 2, 2012