

REPORT TO COMMISSION ON ELDER AFFAIRS

Senior Center Committee - May 9, 2017

Present: Theresa Eckstrom-Chair, Tom Cullinane, Gail Schuyler, Chris Evans, Amy Waters, Patty Hainsworth

Theresa called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. The minutes of 4/20/17 were approved (m/s/a). The next meeting was confirmed for 6/13/17 at 4 pm.

Finances: Amy reported and the Committee discussed the following: Both the city and state funding for our division in FY'18 are currently projected at the same level as FY'17; The City Council budget hearing for Elder Affairs is scheduled for 5/30 at 4 pm; A public health nurse has been recommended for the public health division contingent on the position being stationed at the Senior Center 8 hours/week; a draft FY'18 budget for programs along with back up information was reviewed and partially approved contingent upon availability of funding; the Committee will be finalizing the allocations for transportation (fare increases were discussed), St. Paul's Elder Outreach (decreased P WTF funding discussed) and interpreters (increased need discussed) at the June meeting; an allocation for the ESWA Nutrition Program will be considered later in FY'18; and, the following motion was approved:

Contingent upon funding availability & required authorizations, the following FY'18 allocations are recommended, with additions to come in June 2017:

<i>African American Elder Program</i>	<i>\$ 4,341</i>	
<i>Club 60+ Latino Elder Program</i>	<i>\$11,937</i>	
<i>Computer Lab</i>	<i>\$ 6,000</i>	
<i>Chinese Elder Program</i>	<i>\$ 4,341</i>	
<i>Elder Home Maintenance</i>	<i>\$17,995</i>	
<i>Elder Outreach-Ascentria</i>	<i>\$18,748</i>	
<i>Fitness Instructors</i>	<i>\$ 5,000</i>	
<i>Transportation Monitor</i>	<i><u>\$ 2,860</u></i>	
<i>Total May Recommendations</i>	<i>\$71,222</i>	<i>(m/s/a)</i>

Regarding leased space, Amy reported that the city administration has not yet made a decision about the use of two vacant offices for another department, and that the development of the parking lot and the 26 wing remain status quo.

Operations: Patty reported the Committee discussed the following: Internships have ended and one senior aide who assisted with graphic arts left; three new senior aides came on board to assist with building services, community gardens and other tasks; the clinic renovation is progressing well; the landscaper has begun seasonal maintenance and the Tree Initiative will be planting new trees where one was lost; programs discussed included Know Your City, Walking Club Kick-Off and the upcoming Positive Aging Symposium.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm. (m/s/a)