Senior Center Committee of Commission on Elder Affairs Notice/Agenda

The Senior Center Committee meeting will be held on:

Tuesday June 11, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. via Microsoft Teams and at Amy's office - Room Note this is a hybrid meeting and begins at 1 pm (instead of noon) this month.

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AGENDA

- I. Senior Center Committee Chair
 - a. Call to Order / Approval of minutes for May 14, 2024
 - b. Confirm date and time of next meeting: September 10, 2024, NOON, on Teams.
- II. Elder Affairs Staff Reports and Recommendations
 - A. Finances
- 1. Public and Private Funding
- 2. Program Allocations
- 3. Leases
- 4. Development
- B. Operations
 - 1. Staffing
 - 2. Facility and Grounds
 - 3. Programs
 - 4. Reopening/Closing
- III. Public Comment (up to 2 minutes each)
- IV. Adjournment

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REPORT TO COMMISSION ON ELDER AFFAIRS - Senior Center Committee 5/14/24

Present: Richard Shea-Chair; Fran Langille; Facely Henriquez; Noreen Shea; Patty Hainsworth; Amy Waters.

Richard called the meeting to order on TEAMS at 12:07 pm. The minutes of the 4/9/24 meeting was approved. (m/s/a). The next meeting was confirmed for 6/11/24 at 1 pm (instead of noon) and will be hybrid (onsite and TEAMS).

Amy reported that the FY'25 city tax levy budget will be considered by City Council on May 21st and that the State House & Senate Ways and Means committees both recommend an increase in COA formula funding from \$14 to \$15/senior living in each municipality per the 2020 census.

The Committee reviewed in detail, the FY'25 budget proposal which Amy recommended, which does not include the potential increase in State COA funds. *After discussion members approved the budget as presented, summarized as follows (m/s/a):*

| African American Elder Group Coord | \$ 5,699 |
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| Computer Lab | \$ 2,400 |
| Elder Home Maintenance | \$19,473 |
| St. Paul's Elder Outreach | 131,108 |
| Ascentria Elder Outreach | \$25,698 |
| ESWA Nutrition | \$ <i>5,75</i> 2 |
| Fitness/Wellness Programs | \$34,000 |
| Interpretation | \$ 5,150 |
| Transportation | <i>\$14,000</i> |
| Age/Dementia Friendly | \$ 5,000 |
| Walking Club | \$ 2,000 |
| COA Personnel | <i>354,598</i> |
| Dues/Training | \$ 9,000 |
| 2% COA Admin. | \$11,186 |
| Misc Fee Subs, Programs, Supplies | \$16,000 |
| SEAC Food Delivery | \$ <i>5,150</i> |
| Fitness Center Operation | 354,661 |
| Dementia Friendly Coord. temp | \$20,007 |
| Program Asst. temp | \$16,926 |
| Add'l 4 hrs/wk temps contingency | \$10,836 |
| Clinic Services-vendor | \$ 9,720 |
| Contingency | <u>\$10,204</u> |
| Total | \$1,068,568 |
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Amy also reviewed progress with licenses for space and announced that the bid for proposals to develop the vacant wing of the senior center was posted yesterday and proposals are due 6/26/24. More information will be shared by the Dept. of Economic Development on the bid process at the June Commission meeting.

Patty reported on & the Commission discussed: Building switched to air-conditioning; carpets installed; kitchen had great inspection; grounds looking good; fall prevention wellness series started today along with vaccine clinic; upcoming programs include oral health, bike history, artist reception, driver safety, pride flag raising, advanced tai chi, chair volleyball, stress reduction, Brazilian Elder Group, and Dementia Friendly event. Patty also responded to Dick's question about the new kitchen equipment which is very much appreciated and in use.

The meeting adjourned at 1:02 pm. (m/s/a)