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SENIOR AFFAIRS COMMISSION

January 27, 2014 – 11:00 a.m.

Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla, Room L1EN
Dallas, TX 75201

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CITY SECRETARY
DALLAS, TEXAS

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Trini Garza, Chair
Lydia Simpson (Dist. 2)
John L. Johnson (Dist. 3)
Dorothy Willis (Dist. 4)
B.Jean Ball (Dist. 5)
Felix Lozada (Dist. 6)
Betty Hooey (Dist. 7)
John E. Roberts (Dist. 8)
Irwin W. Gart (Dist. 11)
Sylvia L. Benenson (Dist. 13)
Sara Wick (Dist. 14)

GUESTS

Marlene Cohen
Marty Alvarado
Ana Azpurva
Janice Thomas
Cheryl Boswell
Jon Sanchez-Casas
Christina Green
Jearldine McDaniel

COD STAFF

Vicki D. Smith
Lilia V. Gonzalez
Nelvin Murphy
Karen D. Rayzer
Jesse Salazar
Biliera Johnson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Vickie Barcomb (Dist. 10)

VACANCIES

District 1 - Griggs
District 9 – Kadane
District 12 – Greyson

CALL TO ORDER

Trini Garza, Chair, called the meeting of the Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) to order at 11:02 a.m. The meeting opened with a moment of silence and blessing by Marty Alvarado.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The December 16, 2013 minutes of the Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) meeting were approved pending minor changes.

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ANNUAL REPORT

A copy of the Annual Report was mailed to all members of the commission prior to the meeting. After further review, the SAC approved the 2013 Annual Report pending minor changes/corrections.

BOARDS & COMMISSION TRAINING

Jesse Salazar is the Board and Commission Manager for the City of Dallas – City Secretary's Office. Mr. Salazar informed the SAC that there are 540 volunteers for boards and commissions with the City of Dallas. A review of duties and responsibilities of board and commission members was given. Mr. Salazar also informed the SAC that they will have to view the Open Government Training and Ethics Training videos. Staff will make arrangements for viewing during another SAC meeting.

ADDITIONAL COMMISSION TRAINING

Karen D. Rayzer, Assistant Director of Housing/Community Services Department, presented additional commission training. Mrs. Rayzer informed the SAC of the background and staffing function and roles. She also informed the SAC of the committee goals and objectives, and the importance of community interaction.

Mrs. Rayzer suggested that all members conduct visits to recreational centers in their district to find out if senior programs are in place. She also suggested that commission members speak to their councilmember, not only during budget time but throughout the year.

A copy of Mrs. Rayzer's briefing was provided to the SAC.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Reports

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Cheryl Boswell, Jon Sanchez – Casas, and Christina Green informed the commission of the new Diabetes Prevention Program that the YMCA – Dallas has to offer.

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Nelvin Murphy, Senior Ombudsman, and Lilia Gonzalez, Bilingual Community Outreach Representative, described their roles and responsibilities for the Senior Services Program.

Vicki Smith, Interim Manager of Senior Services Program, informed the SAC of the 7th Annual Senior's Valentine's Day Luncheon and Ice Cream Social sponsored by the Honorable Carolyn R. Davis on Friday, February 14, 2014 at MLK Jr. Recreation Center from 12: 30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. A copy of the flyer was provided.

Ms. Smith also updated the commission on upcoming MayFair event. She informed the commission that the City of Dallas SAC and Senior Services Program, and Age Well, Live Well Dallas will partner with DART to host the event. More detailed information on the event will be provided to the SAC as it becomes available.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.