



SENIOR AFFAIRS COMMISSION (SAC) MONTHLY MEETING

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Peter Kline, Chair, Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) PRESIDING

PRESENT: [10]

Portia Cantrell, District 2/Commissioner	VACANT, District 9
VACANT, District 3	Jeri Baker, District 10/Commissioner
VACANT, District 4	Renee L. Karp, District 11/Commissioner
Feliz Jarvis, District 5/Commissioner	Beth Mond, District 12/Commissioner
*Marilyn Daniels, District 6/Commissioner	J. Peter Kline, District 13/Commissioner
Marian A. Williams, District 7/Commissioner	Karen Roberts, District 14/Commissioner
*Debbie Austin, District 8/Commissioner	

ABSENT: [1]

Carmen Arana, District 1/Commissioner

**Note: Members of the Senior Affairs Commission participated in this meeting by video conference.*

***Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened*

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. with a quorum of ten of the Senior Affairs Commission members present.

The meeting agenda, posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS", of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

The Senior Affairs Commission provided "public speaker" opportunities. There were no public speakers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (November 21, 2022)

The November 2022 Senior Affairs Commission meeting minutes: Commissioner Beth Mond moved to adopt the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Renee Karp and unanimously adopted.

CHAIR'S REPORT

SAC Chair, Peter Kline reminded the Commissioners of Texas Open Meetings Act or TOMA requirements for videoconference meetings and provided an update on the Senior Data Project. Prior to the meeting, Chair Kline emailed a draft of the 2022 Annual Report to the Commissioners along with a Profile of Dallas Senior Population City-Wide. Chair Kline asked the Commissioners to share the information with their Council Members and office staff.

The draft annual report is based on 2019 American Community Survey data. The data analytics team will update this report with the 2021 census numbers based on the redefined council districts due to redistricting. A mapping feature will also be added. The goal of the data project is to identify the top five issues confronting seniors in the City of Dallas and to quantify the problems with data to determine how many seniors are affected. Chair Kline would like to reactivate the subcommittees and to form an ad hoc committee to work on the senior data project. He asked the Commissioners to send him an email listing their committees of interest. The Commissioners discussed their reactions to the draft of the 2022 Annual Report. Chair Kline requested specific edits be emailed to him. He will revise the report prior to the SAC meeting in January when the Commission will vote on approving the final 2022 Annual Report.

Senior Affairs Commissioners District Updates

Commissioners Karen Roberts (District 14), Jeri Baker (District 10), Marian Williams (District 7), Beth Mond (District 12), Marilyn Daniels (District 6), and Debbie Austin (District 8) reported news and activities taking place in their districts.

Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization Department Program Update

Reese Collins, Area Redevelopment Manager, City of Dallas Department of Neighborhood Revitalization briefed the SAC on the Senior Home Rehabilitation Program. One hundred thousand dollars has been allocated for this pilot lottery program. Seniors served must be at least 65 years of age. Household income must be 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) or below. The program has been set up so that applicants 75 years of age or older with accessibility needs have the best chance of being selected in the application process. The program must be approved by the Housing and Homelessness Solutions Committee prior to being presented to the Dallas City Council in January 2023 for final approval.

City of Dallas Communications, Outreach & Marketing (COM) Department

Catherine Cuellar, Director of COM presented a PowerPoint: Communications Update and briefed the Commission on the City of Dallas communication strategies.

Dallas Secure Effort

Dr. Brian Gardner, Chief Information Security Officer, City of Dallas, Information and Technology Services (ITS) provided a brief overview and a PowerPoint: Dallas Secure, Protecting Digital Lives while Promoting Digital Equity. The Dallas Secure app was released to the public on December 5, 2022. The City of Dallas is offering this free app to their residents to protect their mobile devices from cyber threats.

Senior Services Program & Contracts

Ana Camacho, Supervisor, provided an update on the Office of Community Care/Senior Services Program and contracts including summary of calls and outreach events, and an update on contract partners/seniors served for the months of November and December 2022.

In November 2022, Senior Services received 116 unduplicated calls for information and referrals, served 269 unduplicated clients and participated in 11 outreach events in November, Year to Date (YTD) 2022. The highest number of calls received in November 2022 were for financial assistance (53), housing (46), and home repair (42). Data on Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Rides Rider Assistance Program (RAP) was presented for month of October 2022. November data was not available for Achieve Senior Employment Program, DART RAP, or Texas A&M Clinical Dental Program. The Senior Ombudsman Program services ended in September. New services were approved and resumed the second week of November 2022.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Kline: Dallas City Council will vote to approve Commissioner Feliz Jarvis as Vice Chair of SAC. The next SAC Monthly Meeting: January 30, 2023. Prior to meeting, Chair Kline will distribute the revised annual report for review and final revision.

ADJOURNMENT


After all the business of the Senior Affairs Commission had been considered, Commissioner Baker moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mond and unanimously accepted. The Senior Affairs Commission meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

M. Lynn Jenkinson

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Date


J. Peter Kline (Feb 3, 2023 10:36 CST)

Approved by:
J. Peter Kline, Chair
Senior Affairs Commission

02/03/23

Date

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