#### SENIOR AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Monday, October 20, 2014 – 12:00 p.m. City Hall – 1500 Marilla, Rm. L1EN 2014 NOV 19 PN 3: 46

**MINUTES** 

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### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Trini Garza, Chair
Lydia Simpson (Dist. 2)
John L. Johnson (Dist. 3)
Felix Lozada (Dist. 6)
Betty Hooey (Dist. 7)
John E. Roberts (Dist. 8)
Julie Schaar (Dist. 9)
Irwin W. Gart (Dist. 11)
Marlene Cohen (Dist. 12)
Sylvia L. Benenson (Dist. 13)

# **GUESTS**

Janice Thomas
Jann Horswell
Jearldine McDaniel

### **COD STAFF**

Valencia Alexander Vicki Smith Lilia Gonzalez Candace Thompson

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Marty Alvarado (Dist. 1)

## **VACANCIES**

District 5
District 8
District 10

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Trini Garza called the meeting of the Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) to order at 12:00. The meeting opened with a moment of silence and a remembrance of former SAC chair, Pauline Kress.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The September 15, 2014 minutes of the Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) meeting were unanimously approved.

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#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **Budget Committee – Syl Benenson**

Ms. Benenson reported on the items that were approved and denied on the SAC's recommended FY 14/15 budget. The new budget becomes effective on October 1.

## Health Committee - Lydia Simpson (Chair - AWLW-Dallas)

Lydia Simpson reported that AWLW Dallas had its kickoff, 'Anyway, Any K', at C.C. Young (The Point) on October 17, 2014. Ms. CM Monica Alonzo read the proclamation at the event. CM Adam Medrano was also present. There were over 200 in attendance.

Lydia said that the CC Young staff was excellent. The location was beautiful and their staff was very helpful in coordinating and hosting the event.

There were two presenters: Dr. Hines (discussed the importance of movement), and Cathy Sides (discussed vitamin supplements). Each presentation was very informative. There was also chair yoga instruction during the event.

# **Housing Committee – Bill Gart**

A Housing meeting will be held November 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss building the foundation of what the committee is trying to accomplish.

Mr. Gart attended the October 6<sup>th</sup> AGE meeting. Karen Rayzer gave the presentation.

Vicki Smith discussed the Home Repair Reference Sheet. There will be additional information added to the draft. SAC members will be given copies of the finished document.

#### Victimization Committee – John Johnson

Mr. Johnson reported that the committee met prior to the SAC meeting. Items discussed:

 Adult Protective Services staff attended and discussed their role in the community.

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- Mr. Johnson discussed National Night Out event held in his neighborhood. The Mayor attended, as did 35-50 law enforcement officers.
- Safeguards for medications.
- Scam Jam will be held on November 14<sup>th</sup> at Marcus Recreation Center.
- Several SAC members and staff members attended National Night Out events.
- Next Victimization meeting will be held November 17<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m., City Hall, room L1EN.

#### **Older Americans Month Committee**

The Senior Affairs Commission will present MayFair 2015 on May 22, 2015 at the Hyatt Regency Dallas Hotel.

SAC members are requested to take responsibility for acquiring a sponsor for a table of ten for \$400.

In addition a motion was made to ask their councilmember to sponsor at least one table. The motion was approved.

A motion was made that Marlene Cohen chair the MayFair committee beginning January 2, 2015. The motion was approved.

#### Other items discussed:

- A sit down lunch, big band, daytime ball (will have a DJ for intermissions)
- Reduced ticket price for seniors (\$10)
- Find a major sponsor (\$10-20k)

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## **SENIOR SERVICES REPORT**

- MayFair Tea was held to recruit sponsors
- Senior Services will host a senior holiday event in December
- Lilia Gonzalez is working with the YMCA to present information on Diabetes awareness at senior housing

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.