

Manhattan Beach Senior Advisory Committee Minutes

October 10, 2017

Members Present: Steve DeBaets, Wayne Powell, Diane Campisi, Kathleen Galvin, Marcia Gelfand, Dayle Eisenhower, Karen Russo (Senior Resource Committee), Ken Thompson (Manhattan Heights Senior Club)

Members Absent: Betty Young (Joslyn Senior Club)

City Council Representative: Nancy Hersman

Parks & Recreation Commissioner: Sue Allard

Parks & Recreation Staff: Mark Leyman, Adela Cornejo, Eve Kelso

Visitors: Aquatics Program Representative Jesus Sandoval

PRIORITY ACTION ITEMS

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chair Steve DeBaets. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved with corrections. (Note) corrections not yet completed. PPIC Item for City Council review of changes prior to implementation and Smartphone to website changes removed from this month's agenda to a later date.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT: Nancy Hersman requested SAC members to identify issues before meetings that they would like her to discuss. In the last City Council meeting there was discussion of changes in bicycle right of ways and signage originating from the South Bay Bicycle Master Plan. In addition, the City is working on new signage to simplify/consolidate city parking and other signage for easier understanding. With regard to small cell antennae issues addressed previously, there was a good resident information meeting conducted by the City and the small cell issue will come again before Council at their next meeting. The Governor has until Oct. 15 to veto or sign legislation which removes local control of the devices. Lobby efforts are underway to retain local control.

SCOUT HOUSE UPDATE: Steve DeBaets reported \$1.5 million raised so far with 1000 sq. ft. dedicated Senior space. \$3.5 million needed for project. "Friends of" group working to solicit business contributors. Home Town Fair participation very successful, a lot of interest in getting it done. The opportunity to donate was not possible at the Fair. A "Friends of" Gala will offer the prime opportunity for giving. City website has no capability to funnel contributions. Saved original sign and rock to incorporate into new design. Shooting to have building up by 2019.

SENIOR PROGRAMS OPEN HOUSE: Diane Campisi reported this event will be 11-3pm Sunday Oct. 15th. 12 groups will represent the various key functions with interactive programs to see, touch and do.

FRIENDS of SENIORS 501c3: Marcia Gelfand provided handouts around what a 501c3 is legally. Typically, a fund generating organization. SAC is an advisory body not a fund generating body. This would need to be outside of SAC. A trust account may be an option to achieve a similar goal. Item tabled to define goals and scope.

DIAL-A-RIDE: Eve Kelso provided an in-depth report on the programs many details. Program has enjoyed continuous steady growth in senior resident use over the decade. Program has key benefit of assistance to

people with disabilities with 5 buses with differing features to meet a broad spectrum of uses. These include medical appointments, shopping locally to extended large group trips. Not always limited to seniors, some student trips included (for those with disabilities).

AQUATICS REPORT: Guest speaker Jesus Sandoval reported on the several programs provided for seniors at by Begg Pool. Of note: Begg pool is maintained at 85 degrees and Water Aerobics sessions are Mon, Tue, Wed and Thur. from 3:15 to 4:00pm. Lap swimming is also available. A ramp is available for disabled access to the pool.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARKETING: Diane Campisi and Adela Cornejo in addition to Open House, working with Senior Improv to create an inter-generational Improv event on March 20th.

PARTNERSHIPS: Nothing to report

EDUCATION: DOCTALK Coming up on topic "Happy" October 17

TECHNOLOGY: The new MAC is still in development to be installed. Second trip Apple store senior field trip was a big success. Thursday Oct. 12th, the 4th Apple Store Field trip for photo knowledge. Classes are going well. Still struggling with less than optimal Wi-Fi speeds. Latest Coffee Technology and You with Mira Costa seniors assisting older adults with technology was another huge success, continues through Nov. Starting again in Jan. 2018.

REPORTS BY STAFF

Eve Kelso: looking into having regular SAC reporting during events portion at all City Council meetings to rotate with City staff. Zion trip a huge success.

Adela Cornejo: Discussed support group session for those grieving from Las Vegas massacre. DOCTALK Coming up on topic "Happy" October 14. Holiday party coming up, planning started.

CLUBS, SRC, AT-LARGE MEMBERS AND P&R COMMISSIONER

SRC: Karen Russo reported that next month is National Family Caregivers month. October 24th Forum is "Weaving 100 Years of Sepulveda Avenue" by Jan Dennis. And Nov. 17 will be "Jazz by the Beach" with Mallory Gantner.

JOSLYN SENIOR CLUB: No report

MANHATTAN HEIGHTS SENIOR CLUB: Ken reported the Friday Pot Lucks are averaging 23 seniors in attendance. Arranged with Staff, dedicated Friday Card Play location from 2-4pm. Working to host middle school singers entertain for Christmas holiday event on a Monday with both clubs attending.

P&R Commissioner: Sue reported Pumpkin Races are coming up.

AT LARGE MEMBERS: Wayne Powell offered he will be presenting on behalf of Older Adults an entry into the Pumpkin Race, Sunday October 28, with new rules in effect.

ACTION ITEMS/PRIORITY NEXT MEETING

- Approval of both September and October Minutes needed
- Open House Report
- "Friends of Seniors" Discussion on potential Mission Scope and 501C3 potential
- Smart phone access to MB Home Page OAP

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 9th 1:00 pm at the Joslyn Center. Respectfully submitted by Kenneth Thompson