

Manhattan Beach Senior Advisory Committee

Minutes

July 9, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve DeBaets, Diane Campisi, Wayne Powell, Marcia Gelfand, Audrey Hodgson, Dayle Eisenhauer, Ken Thompson (Manhattan Heights Senior Club), Jean Steinmetz (Manhattan Beach Senior Club), Karen Russo (Senior Resources Committee)

ABSENT: Mayor Nancy Hersman, Jan Buike

GUESTS: None

Parks and Recreation Staff: Eve Kelso, Adela Cornejo

Parks & Recreation Commissioner: Laurie McCarthy.

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm by Steve DeBaets, Chair. The Minutes of the June 11th 2019 meeting were approved as submitted.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT: No report

SENIOR AND SCOUT HOUSE UPDATE: Friends of the Scout House, will conduct an activity game to present at the Manhattan Beach Farmers Market event August 13th to generate interest and donations. The \$3.4MM project remains about \$1MM short.

HOMELESS POLICY TASK FORCE: No report.

ELECTIONS: SAC Officers Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary positions will remain as previous year for the following year, as approved by SAC.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: Committee submitted CityMB website senior usability improvement ideas to staff for review and implementation.

PARTNERSHIPS: Rotary Cares supplied a Candy Cottage retiree, with handrail addition to her home, improving her life through better mobility.

TECHNOLOGY: Dayle Eisenhauer reported Senior technology use classes will resume in August. Staff indicated improvement in Wi-Fi bandwidth may be possible. Further validation needed.

STAFF: Adela Cornejo reported Manhattan Beach environmental committee has charged the City to end single use utensils in city functions. Dana Murray, MB Environmental Programs Manager will present at Dine and Discover to start a sequenced phase out of single use utensils at OAP's Lunch Bunch. Initially, participants will receive a complimentary kit with a set of reusable utensils. Event attendees will be instructed to bring this kit to all future OAP events with presented food. Individuals who forget to bring the kit or their own utensils to Lunch Bunch will be charged an additional fee for a bamboo utensil option. The goal being the City will stop supplying all single use utensils at some

point. Also reported that 40 lucky individuals will partake in the Hollywood Bowl Bus trip on Thursday July 18th. Local MB Art Fair opens Friday the 12th from 6 – 9pm.

MANHATTAN HEIGHTS CLUB: Ken Thompson reported; recent audit identified 41 paid members. Bingo game reward rule changes presented to club membership. No agreement to change at this time. Grocery Store \$1 gift coupons being phased out by Grocery chains as too costly. Seeking other forms of marking game rewards.

JOSLYN SENIOR CLUB: Jean Steinmetz reported; Recent Pot Luck and White elephant sale a success that also yielded \$90 to club.

SRC: Karen Russo reported July 23rd will offer the presentation “MB’s First Landmark Home”, 7:00-8:30 pm at the MB Library.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Laurie McCarthy reported; the Salute to the Troops was the first of the Concerts in the Park this year with performance by the Satin Dolls. Polliwog Park playground equipment remodel advances with Kompan Construction favored to move forward with an “Ocean Ship” theme. Pickle Ball Court and Von’s Exercise Equipment remodel also underway.

ACTION ITEMS AND PRIORITIES: Scout/Senior House; Homeless Issues; Lunch Bunch Updates, Lives Well Lived. SAC and Older Adult Program Staff tasked with ongoing evaluation of underutilized programs to optimize cost benefit ratios.

ADJOURNMENT: SAC elected to forgo the vacation heavy August meeting and reconvene in September. The next meeting is September 10, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Thompson