

Manhattan Beach Senior Advisory Committee

Minutes

Jan. 14, 2019

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dayle Eisenhauer

GUESTS: No guests

City Council Representative: Absent

Parks and Recreation OAP Staff: Jan Buike, Adela Cornejo

Parks & Recreation Commissioner: Laurie McCarthy.

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by Steve DeBaets, Chair. The Nov. 12, 2019 meeting Minutes and Jan 2020 Agenda were approved as submitted.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT: No report.

SENIOR AND SCOUT HOUSE UPDATE: The "Senior/Scouts Benefit Fundraiser" is planned for March 21, 2020 from 4-7pm. Planning subcommittee procured City Council waiver alcohol variance. End date for raising funds remains June 2020. The \$3.4MM project remains approximately \$1MM short.

HOMELESS POLICY TASK FORCE: The 2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count will occur January 21-23rd. Now seeking volunteers. MBPD mental evaluation trained personnel has made a significant improvement in city homeless situation. County has received funding to assist in solutions.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: OAP's Holiday Party was a big success. A quick review of events identified minor improvement possibilities for next year. DocTalks have resumed with the well-attended session on Minimalism. Coffee, Technology & You begins Feb. 8. Android and PC training January 7th session a success with another session scheduled for January 21.

PARTNERSHIPS: No additional news to report.

TECHNOLOGY: Coffee, Technology & You, last session of the year Saturday Nov. 16th. Wireless printer being selected for purchase, then to IT for approval.

STAFF: Jan Buike and Adela Cornejo reported 4 new Dial a Ride busses will be ordered with longer lasting, lower lift ramp capabilities. Dine & Discover: The new "L.A. voting solutions for all people" rollout will be presented January 16th. Free Senior TAX sessions will again begin every Wednesday from Feb 5 to April 15th. These are by 1st come, 1st served. Early reservation data suggests participation may be declining for normally full bus excursions. It is suspected the switch from print

to online Manhappenings may be at issue. Too early to say, definitively. Planning for April Volunteer dinner and May Health Fair, begins.

MANHATTAN HEIGHTS CLUB: Ken Thompson reported 41 paid members, collecting dues for 2020. Substituting play money for phased out grocery store scripts for Friday Bingo.

JOSLYN SENIOR CLUB: Jean Steinmetz reported new officers were elected. Jean Steinmetz president, Sandy Gilbert vice president, Fritz Conley treasurer and Donna Barlow secretary.

SRC: Karen Russo reported Villages project has stalled. Some work volunteers designated.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Laurie McCarthy reported the new Master Parks Plan is being created to identify Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) for City Council approval in March 2020. Survey results identified a desire for an Aquatics / Multi Use Center. Also walk paths and dog facilities. New Parks Master Plan presented to City Council in March. The reserved tennis session "Older Adults", trial period is underway every Wednesday from 1-3pm on one court. Pickle Ball Court upgrades completed. New Exercise Facility near Vons delayed, now to be completed by March. Pollywog Park exercise equipment upgrade now out for bids for an earlier completion on that effort.

ACTION ITEMS AND PRIORITIES: Senior/Scout Fundraiser, Wireless Printer, Homeless, Senior Tennis spot and Parks services survey progress

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 2:26pm. Next SAC meeting February 11, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Thompson