

Manhattan Beach Senior Advisory Committee

Minutes

Feb. 11, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve DeBaets, Diane Campisi, Dayle Eisenhauer, 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: None

GUESTS: No guests

City Council Representative: Mayor Nancy Hersman

Parks and Recreation OAP Staff: Jan Buike, Adela Cornejo

Parks & Recreation Commissioner: Laurie McCarthy.

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 pm by Steve DeBaets, Chair. The Jan 14th 2019 meeting Minutes and Feb. 2020 Agenda of were approved as submitted.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT: Mayor Hersman reported she will conduct a formal proclamation of Women's History. A Celebration of 100 years of the right to vote in August. The US Census is coming up. Census takers will be paid up to \$27/hr. It's important to achieve an accurate census count. Our 33rd district could be consumed or combined as its population is essentially flat and 53rd in state. City budget numbers look ok but city worker tasks, services provided and permit fee structures being examined to reduce costs and ease/expedite work and maximize benefits to community. SB50 defeat will likely be reformatted into another similar bill trying to override city control and building zoning for increased housing density in coastal communities. ADUs, or alternate dwelling units are now permitted for those able to accommodate a minimum 800sq.ft. residence meeting ancillary requirements.

SENIOR AND SCOUT HOUSE UPDATE: The "Benefit Gala" to raise funds for the new Senior/Scouts building is March 21, 2020 from 4-7pm. The planning subcommittee procured City Council waiver for served alcohol at the event. Senior admission fee is \$25. End date for raising funds remains June 2020. A motion to purchase a \$250 memorial brick on behalf of Senior Advisory Committee, was approved. The \$3.4MM project remains approximately \$1MM short. No known impact yet of Boy Scouts Chapter 11 filing.

HOMELESS POLICY TASK FORCE: The 2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count has been completed. Number count is sent to County for State final report. MBPD mental evaluation trained personnel has made a significant improvement in city homeless situation. The City has received funding to assist in finding solutions.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: Next Coffee, Technology & You on Feb. 29. Apple Store training sessions for seniors, and Dayle is working to make them a monthly event. The class is planned for the 1st Tuesday of every month and March's topic is Photography. Android and PC training continues.

PARTNERSHIPS: No additional news to report.

TECHNOLOGY: Wireless printer order being processed.

STAFF: Jan Buike and Adela Cornejo reported 4 new Dial a Ride busses on order with longer lasting, lower lift ramp capabilities. Dine & Discover topic: REAL ID well received with good information. Free Senior TAX sessions underway every Wednesday from Feb 5 to April 15th. First come, First served. Participation in full bus excursions appear to be declining, monitoring. April 16th Volunteer recognition Dinner planning underway. Planning for May 15th Health Fair, begins. Ella Dabney from Mira Costa conducted another "Sew Much Love" session Tues. Feb. 18th to create Therapy dolls for kids to understand upcoming surgery procedures. Caregivers Improv sessions are also being planned. There is a need for volunteer facilitators for DocTalk, please contact Adela.

MANHATTAN HEIGHTS CLUB: Ken Thompson reported no luncheon in January.

JOSLYN SENIOR CLUB: Jean Steinmetz reported Club potluck on March 16th.

SRC: Karen Russo reported no activity this month.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Laurie McCarthy reported the reserved tennis session "Older Adults", trial period continues on one court. Pickle Ball Court upgrades completed. New Exercise Facility near Vons delayed until May due to ground leveling needed. Polliwog Park exercise equipment upgrade now out for bids for an earlier completion on that effort.

ACTION ITEMS AND PRIORITIES: Senior/Scout Fundraiser, Wireless Printer, Senior Tennis Pilot program, Von's and Polliwog Parks upgrade implementation. Participation in bus excursions.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 2:40pm. Next SAC meeting March 10th, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Thompson