



EAST PALO ALTO SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

April 10, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
EPA Government Center
City Council Chamber
East Palo Alto, CA 94303

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(Government Code Section 54957.7(a))

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5. **CLOSED SESSION:** None
6. **OLD BUSINESS:** Senior Advisory Subcommittees & Work Plan
7. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Recruiting for Senior Advisory Committee
 - b. Decision on Senior Prom theme (plus committee)
 - c. Senior health/exercise presentation
 - d. rEPAct Emergency Preparedness presentation

i.

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. None

8. **STAFF REPORT**

a. AARP Survey Campaign Push

b. Upcoming Senior Activities (Trainings & Trips)

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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ATTEST:

MAURICE BAKER

Maurice Baker
Community Services Manager



CITY OF EAST PALO ALTO SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 6, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
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I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Paris Hill at 6:12 p.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Paris Hill	Chair	Present	
Jeffrey Austin	Vice-Chair	Present	
Ola Augmon	Committee Member	Absent	
Ruth Cossey	Committee Member	Present	
Pearlie Young Rainer	Committee Member	Absent	
Donna Rutherford	Committee Member	Present	
Isaac Stevenson	Committee Member	Present	
VACANT	Committee Member		

Chair Hill made a statement that the minutes from February could not be approved as the meeting did not reach quorum.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Senior Database:** Chair Hill invited guest from audience, Court Skinner to speak on Senior Database status and he stated that he provided Staff with access. There was discussion about who would manage the database and how it could be utilized. Guest Skinner stated that he would be willing to help make a request of Staff to discuss status of Senior database that had been previously developed. Staff stated they needed to research and come back with answer.
2. **Subcommittee for Newsletter:** Chair Hill provided an update on the newsletter. A draft is in progress but the language still needs to be provided. Committee Member Cossey and Rutherford mentioned that they would like to contribute. Committee Member Rutherford also mentioned that something should be included on Senior Mental Health.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. **2024 Work Plan & Strategy: Chair Hill** listed out the actions items from their meeting. Emergency Preparedness/Services, identifying Seniors in community, and diversifying the Senior Advisory Committee were brought up.
2. **Senior's Prom 2024 Committee: Chair Hill** brought up the conversation about solidifying plans for the Senior's Prom. Questions came up about putting together a Subcommittee and opening it up to community members outside the Committee. **Committee Member Cossey** introduced possible theme for event as Sneaker Ball. Chair Hill also put forth a Casino theme idea. The conversation steered towards the budget and **Chair Hill** inquired with Staff about the idea. Staff confirmed that budget would come down to SAC thoughts on charging for event. There was a consensus that \$25 would be appropriate to charge. The conversation continued with the thought of changing locations. EPACenter for the Arts came up as well as the Four Seasons Hotel and maybe even Eastside College Preparatory School. Another idea was put forth as Bloomhouse could be an option. Individuals said they would reach out to their contacts and get back. **Chair Rutherford** also mentioned the EPAA High School and making the event intergenerational with a Fashion Show. The proposed date of the event was confirmed by Staff as September 14, 2024.
3. **Topics for Newsletter: Chair Hill** followed up on the conversation about the newsletter and she confirmed that some of the thoughts were talking about upcoming activities and resources available to Seniors. There was also talk about highlighting milestones for Seniors in the community. Chair Austin brought the idea up about including social media to share the newsletter and reiterated the need for a standalone page for the SAC. Guest Skinner reminded staff and the SAC that there was already a Senior Advisory Committee Facebook page. Staff said they would do some research and get back to them.
4. **Recruiting for Senior Advisory Committee: Committee Member Austin** brought up the need to diversify the Senior Advisory Committee. Our community has shifted from predominately African American/Black and is now heavily Latino/LatinX and the Committee should have some reflection of that. Staff confirmed that one seat is still vacant and utilizing their networks would be the best way to fill the seat. **Chair Hill** then had a question about quorum for meetings and Staff said they would have to get back to her.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

V. STAFF REPORTS

1. Upcoming Activities: Staff spoke about planning for upcoming training at the Senior Center. Members provided feedback on receiving more timing for the trainings. Staff said they would provide more advanced notice next time. It was also mentioned that a Senior trip was being planned to the Bee Gees event in San Jose.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Committee Member Rutherford at 7:07pm and so moved by Committee Member Cossey