



Commission on Aging

The Commission on Aging meets on the second Tuesday of each month, 9:30 a.m. at the Bartlett Senior Citizens Center. All meetings are open to the public.

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HOURS OF OPERATION

- **Bartlett Senior Citizens Center** -
Monday through Saturday from
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and
Sundays: 12:30 – 4:00 p.m.

- **City Hall** -
3031 Torrance Boulevard
Monday through Friday
From 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Offices are closed alternate Fridays
and certain holidays.
February 12 and 18, 2019

City Hall will be closed Fridays:
February 15 and March 1, 2019

COMMISSION ON AGING REGULAR MEETING

CITY OF TORRANCE, CITY HALL
HUMAN RESOURCES MULTI-PURPOSE CONFERENCE ROOM
3231 TORRANCE BLVD. TORRANCE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019
9:30 A.M.

AGENDA

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE**
3. **FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL**
4. **MOTION TO ACCEPT AND FILE THE REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – January 8, 2019.
6. **PRESENTATION:** Community Development Department – Linda Cessna: Focus Groups, Strategic Plan Renewal
7. **DISCUSSION:** Older Americas, City of Torrance Awardees
8. **ORAL REPORTS ON SENIOR CITIZENS CONCERNS**
 - A. **City Council Activities**
 - B. **Housing**
 - C. **Health**
 - D. **Transportation**
 - E. **Community Programs**
 - F. **Focal Point Program**
 - G. **Elder Abuse/Fraud**
9. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
This portion of the meeting is reserved for comment on items not on the agenda. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, City Council cannot act on items raised during public comment, but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. Speakers under Orals may speak only once and no longer than 3 minutes per speaker.
10. **ADJOURNMENT**
To a regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the Bartlett Senior Citizens Center, Hosler Conference Room.

Creating and Enriching Community through People, Programs, and Partnerships

ROLL CALL: G. Davis _____ Dojiri _____ Grundhaus _____ Korman _____ Mayfield _____ Virobik _____
K. Davis _____

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE TORRANCE COMMISSION ON AGING**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on January 8, 2019 at 9:33 a.m. in the Hosler Conference Room at the Bartlett Senior Citizens Center.

2. ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE

Present: Commissioners Dojiri, Grundhaus, Mayfield, Virobik and
Chairperson K. Davis

Absent: Commissioners G. Davis and Korman

Staff: Senior Recreation Supervisor Reed

MOTION: Commissioner Mayfield moved to approve the excused absences of Commissioners G. Davis and Korman; motion was seconded by Commissioner Virobik. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. (Absent Commissioners G. Davis and Korman)

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL

Irene Griffith led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the inspirations.

**4. MOTION TO ACCEPT AND FILE THE REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE
POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

MOTION: Commissioner Mayfield moved and Commissioner Dojiri seconded, to accept and file the Affidavit of Agenda Posting for its meeting of January 8, 2019. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. (Absent Commissioners G. Davis and Korman)

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 13, 2018

Chairperson K. Davis requested that under Item 6, in the first paragraph, last line, to add the word *veteran*, to then read: Fayze Fandey, a World War II *veteran*.

MOTION: Commissioner Grundhaus moved and Commissioner Mayfield seconded, to approve the minutes of the Commission on Aging meeting of November 13, 2018, as amended. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. (Absent Commissioners G. Davis and Korman)

6. DISCUSSION: Older Americans Month, LA County Awardee

The Commission discussed the list of nominees for the Older Americans Month and decided to wait until the next Commission meeting to select the candidates for the City awards, to allow more time for additional nominees to be submitted. Ms. Patty Black, who had been nominated, discussed her background and volunteer experience.

MOTION: Commissioner Mayfield moved and Commissioner Dojiri seconded, to nominate Fayze Fandey for the Los Angeles County award. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. (Absent Commissioners G. Davis and Korman)

There was a discussion of a location for the next Commission meeting as the Bartlett Senior Citizens Center would not be available.

7. ORAL REPORTS ON SENIOR CITIZENS CONCERNS

A. City Council Activities

Commissioner Dojiri reported that the Council had voted 4 to 3 to adopt a modified version of the 2016 Urban Coyote Management plan, to include: hiring a part time civilian assistant to work with the Police Department, offering extensive outreach and public education and establishing a five-month trapping service and revising the trapping policy, outside of the 5-month period, to allow trapping only coyotes who were displaying very aggressive behavior.

Commissioner Dojiri stated that the Council had approved the hiring of a consultant to assist the City with the revitalization of the downtown area. She reported that the Council had approved an amendment to the taxi contract agreement for the Community Transit Program for the Senior Taxi services through December 2019. She noted that she would consult Transit Manager Lee to obtain more information.

Chairperson K. Davis stated that she had attended a Transit focus group meeting.

Commissioner Mayfield stated that it was difficult to obtain online bus arrival and schedule information when traveling outside of the City.

B. Housing

Commissioner Grundhaus discussed a 92-unit property being built for Alzheimer's care in Redondo Beach on Knob Hill. She explained that the consultant that had been approved by the Council to revitalize the downtown area would be looking to create housing opportunities for the employees of new planned startups businesses. She noted that a builder had bought multiple properties on Maple Avenue and 235th Street and was upgrading the units.

C. Health

Commissioner Virobik discussed an article about expanded benefits available for seniors aging in place at home, through Scan health plan.

There was a discussion of the increase in in-home care.

Chairperson K. Davis stated that she would contact Michael Connors, Long Term Care Advocate from California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform and if he indicated that new rules had been established for nursing homes, arrange for a speaker to present information to the Commission.

D. Transportation

No report.

E. Community Programs

Chairperson K. Davis announced that the Woman's Club would hold a rummage sale on February 2 at the club house, and noted that drop off for donated items was February 1 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

F. Focal Point Program

Commissioner Virobik reported the following statistics for the months of:

November 2018

Total number of documented calls: 27	Total number of callbacks: 10
Miscellaneous calls: 70	Total number of walk-ins: 21
Total number of calls received: 97	

Of the documented calls:

56% were for housing	26% were for in-home services
11% were for transportation	

December 2018

Total number of documented calls: 26	Total number of callbacks: 15
Miscellaneous calls: 18	Total number of walk-ins: 15
Total number of calls received: 44	

Of the documented calls:

46% were for housing	8% were for in-home services
46% were for transportation	

Commissioner Virobik reported that the Fire Department was mailing information to any individuals who had placed 911 calls for falls, and listing Focal Point as the contact point for individuals to call and be placed in the fall prevention classes which would most benefit them.

G. Elder Abuse/Fraud

There was a discussion of phony calls from the IRS.

8. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Andy and Norie Weller discussed their plans for outreach to seniors through their company to install grab bars.

Librarian Babiar reported that the Library had been involved in sending out the fall prevention mailing and preparing Library staff to handle the resulting inquiries.

Librarian Babiar announced that the Library was hosting Focus Groups in the community and would conduct a focus group at the Bartlett Senior Citizens Center on January 11 and one at the Southeast Library on January 14. She stated that she was prepared to help the Commissioners at the meeting with registering or renewing their Library cards.

9. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:05 a.m., Commissioner Virobik moved to adjourn the meeting to the adjourned regular meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the ATTIC at 2320 West Carson Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mayfield and a roll call vote reflected approval. (Absent Commissioners G. Davis and Korman)

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