

Mayor's Commission on Aging
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Mayor's Commission on Aging

Wednesday, August 7, 2019
10:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m.
City Hall, Hearing Room One
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza
Oakland, CA 94612

Minutes

1. Call to Order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire
2. *Quorum Met* (See Exhibit A).
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes by Commissioner Sandra Johnson, Second by Commissioner Johnnie Mae Wiley
4. **Agenda Modification and Approval:** *None*
5. **Public Comments (Limit 3 minutes). Please fill out speaker card** *None*
6. **The GUARDIANS** – Film Screening Presentation
Care4People Court – Venus Gist, Founder
Coalition Elder and Disability Rights (CEDER) – Linda Kincaid, Richard Calhoun Founders
 - Chair Sylvia Stadmire was asked by the Mayor to attend a meeting with Venus Gist on how the City can help in understanding and protecting the rights of our seniors. The film is about victims and their families that are caught up in a scheme that has allowed corrupt court appointed guardians to take total control over their healthcare and financial decisions. Armed with court orders obtained under dubious circumstances, guardians can forcibly

remove elderly wards from their homes, isolate them from their families and systematically empty their bank accounts.

- Commissioner Tomye Neal-Madison questioned who can be a conservator and/or guardian
- Commissioner Mattie Scott inquired would like for the commission to do a more impartial investigation regarding the claims of elder abuse in order to be effective in working with all involved to make sure that the rights of our elderly are not being abused.
- Commissioner Sandra Johnson is favor of sending a letter.
- Commissioner Toni Gomez asked who can become a conservator?

Exhibit B – See flyer for more information and visit WOSC for the film

7. Age Friendly Cities

Commissioner Bryan Ricks

- Met with the Council, to outline the plan for the year regarding housing and its issues regarding homelessness. Commissioner McElhaney asked us to provide a source of information for elders that are homeless. I met with SPUR who is interested in helping. Food security is the number one focus this year. The council got everything they were looking for regarding Measure AA funds/Sugar Sweetened Beverage, Spectrum, Meals on Wheels, Mercy Brown Bag. We will continue, the numbers will go up as the population rises. We want to define Parks and Recreations and safety, regarding health and wellness to maintain a safe place for seniors to exercise and have outdoor access. The set aside fund is in the process of being approved. Some sessions will come up to crystalize the goals. The whole commission played a great role in this process from the Retreat.
- Chair Sylvia Stadmire presented copies of the City of Oakland Board & Commission Member Handbook and Public Ethics Commissions Handbooks

8. Announcements and updates from Human Services Department

Scott Means, HSD, Aging and Adult Services

- Several topics of discussion
 - By Laws, Code of Conduct – is controlled by the Commission and the manager of Human Services Department. They, along with selected Commissioners are authorized to make decisions resulting in a disagreement with a center member. Commissioner's Johnnie Mae Wiley and Sandra Johnson could be potential people to meet with Chair Sylvia Stadmire and Manager, Scott Means of HSD/Aging and Adult Services Division to resolve a recent written complaint.
 - Handouts, cards for someone that is accosted by ICE, monolingual, and monolingual Spanish use the card to protect their civil rights (www.redcardorers.com).
 - Bay Area Adaptive Bike share program for seniors those disabled. Free use of adaptive bikes. Lake Merritt Bike Program at 1335 Lakeshore Avenue, Oakland, CA. They are open on Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

- Program and Funding
 - California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) granted the City of Oakland Human Services Department an award of \$20,000.00 for the East Oakland Senior Center and West Oakland Senior Center for Digital Literacy.

9. Announcements, Chairperson, Sylvia Stadmire

- Acknowledgements
 - The Commission wanted to acknowledge the added support that was received from City Council Members, Lynette Gibson McElhaney, Loren Taylor, Rebecca Kaplan, Nikki Bas.
 - The Life Enrichment Committee recognized the great efforts of Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire.

○ Announcements

- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire encouraged everyone to meet at Thursday, August 29, 2019 for the Film Screening of the Guardians.

West Oakland Senior Center
1724 Adeline Street
Oakland, CA 94607
(510) 238-7016

The film will begin at 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served from 2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire, Nate, Miley United Seniors, panel discussion, August 8, 2018 at 20980 Redwood Road, Suite 250, Castro Valley, CA, from 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.
- Commissioner Johnnie Mae Wiley, Fish Fry at West Oakland Senior, August 23, 2019 - \$15.00
- Commissioner Bryan Ricks, Allen Temple – Holistic Health Fair, August 10, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at 8501 International Blvd., Oakland, CA 94621, (510) 544-8910.
- Commissioner Sandra Johnson, The California Reliance for Retired Americans will have a presentation that will be on the 2020 ballot, for Schools and Communities First at the Center for Healthy, Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. - Noon at 2000 Franklin Street, Oakland, CA
- Commissioner Sandra Johnson, announced the Healthy Living Festival at the Oakland, Zoo, September 19, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire will meet with Nate Miley and others for a panel discussion, August 8, 2019 from 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. at 20980 Redwood Road, Suite 250, Castro Valley, CA
- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire and Scott Means, Manager Aging and Adult Services Division, HSD met with CEI for the opening of their new facility.

- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire encourages each one to support the Ombudsman Program who support the individuals in the nursing homes
- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire recognized Leslie Littleton, of Littleton Consulting Group who came to acknowledge the great services that the Commission is providing for Seniors and to say thank you for the support they have given her.
- Commissioner Johnnie Mae Wiley acknowledge Jendayi Santana, Director of the West Oakland Senior Center.
- Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire recognized Ms. Warren, of Warren Publishing Group who announced that she along with Alameda County Alliance, Cynthia Carter received a grant to show the film, The Guardian along with a panel discussion will show the film to bring awareness of the illegal treatment of seniors by court appointed conservators. For those groups and/or organizations that are interested in doing so can contact Ms. Warren at (510) 936-1627.
- Venus Mist announced Acts Full Gospel will host a Health Fair and Car Show, August 24, 2019 at 1034 66th Avenue, Oakland, CA from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

10. Meeting Adjourned

Exhibit A – Mayors Commission on Aging Meeting – August 7, 2019

COMMISSIONERS ROLL CALL

Quorum Established Yes ____ No ____ Voting Members Present _____	Present	Excused Late	Arrived Late	Leave Early	Absent	Excused	Non-Voting Status
Chairperson Sylvia Stadmire	X						
Vice Chairperson Bryan Ricks		X					

COMMISSIONERS

Michael Coleman	X						
Toni Gomez			X				
Mickey Hall	X						
Sandra J. Johnson	X						
Tomye Neal- Madison	X						
Jacqueline N. Phillips	X						
Mattie Scott	X						
Blake Spears	X						
Johnnie M. Wiley	X						