



AURORA COMMISSION FOR OLDER ADULTS (ACFOA)

Monday, March 7, 2022

1:00 p.m.

WebEx Virtual Meeting

Aurora Center for Active Adults

30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, CO 80011

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: By Chair at 1:15 PM

ACFOA MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeannie Davis, Chair; Sandy Thomas, Vice-Chair; Juanita Audre, Barbara Schneller, George Bain, Frankiemae Perry, Commissioners.

ACFOA MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A

OTHERS PRESENT: Ronald Roulhac, Facility Program Supervisor ACAA, ACFOA Liaison; Joe Sack, Recreation Services Manager (PROS); Beth Yacono, Acting Superintendent of Recreation Programs; Lori Sanchez, Recreation Supervisor Morning Star and overseeing Perfect Mind activity registration for City of Aurora (COA); Frances Dollard and Delfina Ashley-Baisden, commission candidates; Brooke Bell, Director of PROS; Angela Lawson, at-large council member; Adriana Valles Morales, Admin Specialist and Secretary for ACFOA.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: The commissioners acknowledged reviewing the minutes. Upon motion, second, and unanimous vote, the minutes were approved as presented.

SPEAKER 1: Chance Horiuthi, Executive Director for On Havana Street was introduced. Chance presented information about On Havana Street Business Improvement District (BID). They are considered a public state entity that pays a special district tax. Sub-brands within the BID include Havana Motor Mile and Art on 2C Havana. There are 209 properties on the 4.3-mile stretch, making it one of the largest BIDs in Colorado and in the nation. Chance spoke about businesses that have been with On Havana Street for many years and others that just opened or are coming. On Havana Street collects a little over half a million dollars from the 4.5 million levies collected each year. This money is primarily spent in marketing; other expenses include special events, legal, program management, and payroll. There are significant reserves and savings for the business community. This will be used for



improvements and as future project investments that may include EV charging stations, COVID-19 business recovery programming and funding, diverse signage, public art murals and many more ideas. After the presentation, Chance asked if there were any questions from the Commission and answered them.

SPEAKER 2: Brooke Bell, Director of Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Department presented information about the Needs Assessment project and expanded into the PROS Master Plan. The PROS Master Plan is a robust process where Council Members, the community, and employees participate in different ways to find out what our needs are and what the department can improve and/or work on. Brooke would like for the Needs Assessment for Older Adults to start in the next couple of months and for the ACFOA to participate in the discussions with Epley Institute based at University of Indiana. Epley Institute will receive all input directly from the ACFOA and create a scope of work to be done. This project will, in some ways, help with the PROS Master Plan as well. After the presentation ended, Brooke answered all questions from Commissioners. There was conversation of how and when future meetings with Epley Institute would be conducted.

BUDGET REPORT: Ronald reported no new expenditures.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Aurora Center for Active Adults – Ronald Roulhac, Supervisor

- Event at ACAA on 3/11 from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Commissioners are welcome and many times volunteer at the event.

Arapahoe County Council on Aging (ACCoA) – Barbara Schneller, Commissioner

- Resource Fair at Malley Center on Thursday, April 28th from 3-6 pm.
- Senior Law Safety Seminar at Charles Schwab on May 21st.

Aurora Senior Circle – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- Jeannie reported the next meeting will be March 9, 2022. The group will discuss the Healthy Brain Initiative Roadmap and provide community input on how health departments can approach and support the work around dementia.

Ward Meetings – All Commissioners

- Barbara Schneller attended two Ward V meetings in February about the Aurora Youth Violence Protection Program.
- Jeannie Davis encouraged all Commissioners to keep the newsletter received in their water bill and look for their Ward meetings for the month of March.



COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislative – Sandy Thomas, Commissioner

- Jeannie informed the Commissioners that Sandy sent out handouts on legislative bills and a summary of four bills for review prior to the meeting. Sandy recommends that the Commission support Senate Bill B22-079 concerning required dementia training for direct care staff of specified facilities that provide services to clients with dementia. A hearing is scheduled at the State House, Public Behavioral Health and Human Services Committee on 3/15. If the Commission votes to support the bill, Sandy will create a memo and will speak by phone with the director of the Intergovernmental Department. The director will then discuss the bill and let Sandy know if they support the bill. Jeannie asked Commissioners for a motion to move forward with asking the City Council, Federal State Intergovernmental Relations Committee (FSIR) to support B22-079.

Transportation Solutions - TBD

- Jeannie joined a virtual meeting on February 14th, for TSAC.
- Jeannie will summarize minutes from TSAC and will send out to the rest of the Commission.

Public Relations – Juanita Audre, Commissioner

- No discussions were made.

Intergenerational Support – TBD

- Juanita reported on the Youth Commission for the City of Aurora. Donna Hunt is the new point of contact for this Commission. Juanita and Barbara will get together to discuss further action.
- April 2nd, at 9:30 a.m. is a Meet and Greet at Mission Viejo Library for older adults to find out about the Commission and what can be done to help the older adult community. The Mission Viejo Project is a pilot program. An interest survey will be distributed that day. Flyers are being put out and marketing is being done.

NEXT MEETING

Date: April 4, 2022

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Aurora Center for Active Adults



ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion, a second, and consensus of the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 PM.

Jeannie Davis, Chairperson
Aurora Commission for Older Adults

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Sandy Thomas, Vice Chair
Aurora Commission for Older Adults

Date _____

ADOPTED _____