



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
COMMISSION ON AGING**

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

1:30 p.m.

2727 Parkside Circle

Concord, CA 94519

Annotated Agenda

ROLL CALL: *Present- Ben Hornstein, Melvin Lee, Delores Leon, Chuck Rogers. Excused- Diana Pascual*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None*

(The public may speak on any item within the jurisdiction of the Commission on Aging not listed on this agenda. Approximately 15 minutes is allocated for the Public Comment Period. Each speaker is requested to complete speaker cards with their name and address for the record prior to the meeting – speaker will be allowed approximately 3 minutes.)

- 1. APPROVAL OF ANNOTATED AGENDA OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2013.** *Minutes were approved. M/S Leon/Hornstein.*
- 2. LIAISON GROUP ASSIGNMENTS, REPORTS AND PROJECTS – Commissioner Hornstein attended the Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging meeting and reported there are several workgroups within CCCACA the Legislative, Transportation and Marketing. Hornstein mentioned that many of the existing transportation programs are having difficulty finding driver.**
 - A. TAXI SCRIP PROGRAM – Wendy Schwartzenberger, Parking Services Supervisor and part of her duties is to oversee Concord's registered taxi companies. She had time to review the COA taxi scrip program and provided input that the program needs to be in line with the City Ordinances. She asked how we arrived at choosing one company to do the pilot project and explained that other companies will get upset and question why this was the case. Another item for concern was the cancellation fee and she pointed out there is no such fee in the city's master fees and schedule and will need to be deleted. The commission will revamp the implementation of the pilot project. A request for information will be issued through the city's purchasing system to include several questions relating the sensitivity working with seniors, extra service helping a senior in the car and managing their bags and mobility equipment required for this program. Companies responding to the request will be contacted to orientation meeting to discuss the program further. It was suggested to meet with the city attorney for further review. The COA thanked Schwartzenberger for her comments and will keep her informed.**
 - B. BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR PROGRAM – Staff reported the program was a huge success thanks to the City of Concord Employees and local businesses for supporting the program. Over three hundred seniors received their wishes and were extremely thankful for their gifts. A chair will be elected and committees will be formed to cover the program. A workday on the Friday before the event will be required to organize the gifts. Commissioners will outreach to additional senior organizations that would benefit from the program and request for fifteen new board and care homes.**

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** *Don Rollins resigned from the COA in December. Elections were held and Mel Lee with be the Chair and Ben Hornstein reside as the Vice Chair. Staff provided information on the Rotary Home Team work day on January 25 and to arrange for a Home Team visit or more information contact Patt Schroeder at Episcopal Senior Communities, 925-956-7396 and the Health and Human Services Flyer for the senior center.*
4. **ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**
5. **ADJOURNMENT:** *Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.*

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 19, 2014

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