



**Senior Citizens Commission Minutes**  
**Thursday, March 12, 2009**  
**2:30 p.m.**  
**Davis Senior Center, Multipurpose Room East**  
**646 A Street**

Commissioners: Elaine Musser (Chair), Romeo Favreau (Vice Chair), Shula Blumenthal, Steve Hayes, Mariana Henwood, Kitty Liebhardt, Tansey Thomas (Alternate) and Janice Bridge (Alternate)

City Council Liaison: Sue Greenwald, City Council Liaison

Staff: Maria Lucchesi, Community Services Supervisor  
Alisa Fisher, Community Services Coordinator  
Christine Helweg, Community Services Superintendent  
Danielle Foster, Housing and Human Services Superintendent  
Elvia Garcia-Ayala, Community Services Director

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The Meeting was opened at 2:30 p.m. by Chair E. Musser.

**1. Approval of Agenda**

Approval of the agenda was moved and approved by consensus.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes for Thursday, March 12, 2009 was moved by J. Bridge, seconded by S. Hayes. With the following amendments:

- Delete "communication" under Public Communications/Comments.
- Insert "beginning with September 16, 2006" after "The first report will encompass several years" under Item 4. Unfinished Business, Section A.

**3. Public Communications/Comments**

Chair E. Musser reported information on a roving legal clinic through the Senior Legal Hotline, providing outreach to outlying communities including Winters and soon Esparto. Dave Edwards from the Yolo County District Attorney's office also participated in the legal clinic. Chair E. Musser announced Davis will soon receive funding for Mobility training.

**4. Unfinished Business**

**A. Continued Discussion on Senior & Special Needs Housing Project Guidelines**

Commissioners recommended changes to language on Housing Project Guidelines. S. Hayes presented revised language as did J. Bridge.

Motion was made to revise language under Section A, "Accessibility/Visibility", bullet #3 (Attachment 4A), moved by J. Bridge, seconded by S. Blumenthal and passed. M. Henwood opposed.

Motion made to revise language under Section A, "Transportation", Bullet #3, (Attachment 4A) was moved by J. Bridge, seconded by S. Blumenthal and passed. R. Favreau and E. Musser opposed. Staff will make changes and present updated Housing Project Guidelines to Commission at April meeting.

Commissioner J. Bridge asked staff to include clarification of age-qualified verses age-restricted. Staff will provide State definition of both terms at April meeting.

**B. Determine Meeting Location, Date & Agenda for Next Off-site Commission Meeting**

Commissioners requested staff contact Davisville and Walnut Terrace to confirm availability for possible May Offsite Meeting. Staff will report outcome.

**5. New Business**

**A. Review of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Service Proposals**

Commissioners reviewed proposals by Yolo Adult Day Health Center, Elderly Nutrition Program, and Citizens Who Care. Motion was made that the Elderly Nutrition Program and Yolo Adult Day Health Center receive highest priority for CDBG funding. Moved by R. Favreau and approved unanimously.

**B. Discussion on FY2009-2010 Goals & Objectives for Senior Citizens Commission**

The Commission reviewed Goals/Work Plan for fiscal year 2009-2010. Revisions were made by staff and updated document will be presented to Commissioners for final approval at April meeting.

**C. Discussion of Joint Meeting with Social Services Committee**

Commissioners determined that Joint Meetings with the Social Services Committee would be held on an "as needed" basis. Motion was made, moved by E. Musser seconded by S. Hayes and approved unanimously.

**D. Discussion of Possible Commission Project to Train Senior Housing Staff**

Commissioner K. Liebhardt presented report to Commissioners describing possible training program for employees involved in eldercare. Subcommittee of Commissioners J. Bridge, K. Liebhardt, and S. Blumenthal will contact facility managers, In Home Supportive Services, Peggy Phelps, Caregiver Specialist for Yolo Adult Day Health Center, Dair Rausch, and other community leaders and agencies to explore current training opportunities and will report back to Commission at April meeting. Council Liaison S. Greenwald expressed concerns of liability if formation of caregiver registry was to occur.

**6. Commission Announcements/Comments**

*This time is set aside for Commissioners to report on issues or meetings attended, but not listed on the agenda. No formal action may be taken on matters not listed on this agenda.*

- A. Shula Blumenthal, Liaison to the Climate Action Team
- B. Janice Bridge, Liaison to the California Senior Legislature
- C. Mariana Henwood, Representative to the Yolo County Commission on Aging & Adult Services
- D. Kitty Liebhardt, Representative to the Social Services Commission/ADA Sub-committee
- E. Tansey Thomas, Liaison Representative to the Unitrans Advisory Committee
- F. Maria Lucchesi, Representative to the Yolo County Focal Point Coordinating Council – Next meeting to be held in March 26, 2009 hosted by the City of West Sacramento.

**7. City Council Liaison/Staff Comments**

*This time is set aside for Council members and staff to report on issues and/or events of interest not listed on the agenda. No formal action may be taken on matters not listed on this agenda.*

- A. City Council Liaison Update- S. Greenwald reported on Council Budget Workshop and described it as "very grim" commenting that City surplus could be depleted in 1.5 years. S. Greenwald also

reported that Council is reviewing suggestions to consolidate some City Commissions. Community Services Superintendent C. Helweg commented that the Senior Citizens Commission was not part of this review. S. Greenwald made recommendation to Commissioners and staff to consider ways to reduce staff time for Commissions as a cost saving measure.

- B. Staff Comments
- C. Information & Assistance Report –March 2009
- D. Upcoming Events & Activities

**8. Written Communications**

*Written correspondence, such as letters and/or messages for Commission members will be distributed in the agenda packet and listed on the agenda. Regular monthly meeting agendas, publications/newsletters will be distributed at the meeting.*

**9. Future Agenda Items/Review of Long Range Calendar**

- 10. Adjourn Meeting** – Next meeting date: Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. at the Davis Senior Center, 646 A Street, Davis, CA 95616

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