

Minutes
CITY OF UNION CITY
Regular Senior Commission Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 2:30 P.M.
Civic Center Council Chambers
34009 Alvarado-Niles Road
Union City, California

- I. **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Meeting began at 2:36 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL** – Chairperson: Hugh McNamara; Commissioners: Domingo Filardo, Eva Kamakea, Estrellita Munsayac, Margaret Tai (excused absence), Irene Wolfe (absent); City Staff: Manager Jill Stavosky and Administrative Assistant Johanna De Leon.

III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS - None**

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – September 20, 2011

Commissioner Kamakea commented that Program Coordinator Ariel Leary was excluded from Roll Call in the September 20, 2011 minutes, but he was present at the meeting.

Commissioner Kamakea moved to approve the minutes; Commissioner Filardo seconded the motion; All approved.

V. **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS** - None

VI. **STAFF REPORTS**

A. **Supervisor's Update**

Manager Stavosky reported on the senior activities and classes for the month of October; numbers for the month were considered standard; most of the classes that have been affected by the floor replacement have been relocated to the Kennedy Center or the Holly Center, and it seems to be working well – Manager Stavosky and the City Staff appreciate everyone's patience with the situation; however, new and renewed memberships have increased for the month of October, which may be attributed to Union City's central location and enjoyable casino trips.

Chairperson McNamara stated that the upcoming deadline for Annual Medicare Open Enrollment and changes is on December 7, 2011; Commissioner Munsayac commented that on the most recent Senior Center Red Hawk Casino trip, it was advertised that the participants would receive a \$5 food credit, but they did not; Manager Stavosky stated she would ask Coordinator Leary to follow up on the matter; Commissioner Munsayac commented that many casino trip participants do not know that they receive a discount if they are a Senior Center member; Manager Stavosky suggested that membership fliers be made available to the participants at the conclusion of each trip; Commissioner Kamakea stated that she attended an event at Fremont Senior Center in October where seniors could apply for and receive Clipper Cards (reloadable transportation cards replacing discounted tickets), and suggested that a similar event be held in Union City so the new Clipper Card could be publicized to seniors; Commissioner Filardo added that he was able to purchase discounted tickets at a BART station in San Francisco.

B. **Manager's Report**

Manager Stavosky reported: Annual Senior Thanksgiving Dinner hosted by the Lion's Club will be held at the Logan High School Cafeteria instead of at the Ruggieri Senior Center this Friday, November 18, 2011; the striping of the Senior Center parking lot will happen in the next few weeks, as it can only be worked on during the weekends when there are no events happening to disrupt the process; the Senior Center floor replacement resumed last week and Manager Stavosky hopes it will be completed by the Christmas holiday; for children, Union City Leisure Services had a one day Escape Camp over the Veteran's Day weekend, and Escape camps scheduled over the Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks. Chairperson McNamara

stated that the Lion's Club may be providing shuttle buses for attendees of the Thanksgiving Dinner who park far away from the venue.

C. City Council Items Related to Leisure Services

Commissioner Filardo commented that at the recent Police Resource Center dedication, many of the members of other City organizations and commissions exchanged business cards, and requested business cards for the members of the Senior Commission who do not have any. Manager Stavosky stated she would follow up on obtaining business cards for the Commissioners.

VII. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (3 minutes) - None

VIII. COMMISSION MATTERS

A. Cancellation of December 20, 2011 Meeting

Commissioner Kamakea moved to cancel the December 20, 2011 meeting; Commissioner Munsayac seconded the motion; All approved.

IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Commissioner Munsayac announced that her first grandson was born on October 27th, and the Commissioners extended their congratulations; Commissioner Filardo announced that he had completed his Community Emergency Rescue Training (CERT) and is now a certified CERT member – the training took place over four consecutive Saturdays for a total of 16 hours; Commissioner Filardo stated that the Senior Advocate Group of Union City treated about 50 seniors at St. Anne's Church to a Halloween Party; Commissioner Filardo announced that on December 2 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., there will be a Community Resource Meeting sponsored by the Tri-City Elder Coalition at the Fremont Main Library – this meeting will have administrators available to answer questions regarding transportation and discounted tickets, as well as representatives from various health groups, including Washington Hospital; Chairperson McNamara reported that there have been a series of community works session regarding Dumbarton Rail Corridor project, and the next one will be on December 29 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Union City Sports Center; Commissioner Kamakea stated that she would be attending an upcoming meeting regarding bicycle trails, and CERT is having a CPR training tonight at the CERT building at 7:00 p.m.; Commissioner Kamakea inquired about the possibility of requesting alternates to attend every Senior Commission meeting in order for them to stay informed when they do have to act as an alternate; Manager Stavosky reminded the Commission that the rotation of the Chairperson occurs every January – Commissioner Filardo will be the next Chairperson; the Commissioners wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson McNamara adjourned the meeting at 3:26 p.m. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.