



# CITY OF NEWARK

## SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Newark Senior Center  
7401 Enterprise Drive, Newark, CA  
9:15 a.m.

### Minutes

Thursday, December 4, 2014

#### A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairperson Al Nagy called meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

Members Present: Rick Arellano, Sandy Arellano, Elwood Ballard, Faye Hall, Mary Hammock, Dolores Powell and Margrith Reichmuth

Staff Present: Karen Moraida, Edda Rivera and David Zehnder

Guest Present: Mitali Hindia & Shawn Fong

#### B. MINUTES APPROVAL

The minutes of the Senior Advisory Committee Meeting of Monday, October 27, 2014 were unanimously approved.

#### C. WELCOME/INTRODUCTION

Chairperson Al Nagy introduced Lifeways Representative, Mitali Hindia, Assistant City Manager, Terrence Grindall and City of Fremont Program Manager, Shawn Fong.

#### D. Guest Speaker Assistant City Manager Terrence Grindall – Status of Senior Housing in Newark

Assistant City Manager, Terrance Grindall gave a brief presentation on current status of Senior Housing in Newark. Members of the Committee had an opportunity for questions and answers about the current developments taking place in Newark.

#### E. HUMAN SERVICES/SENIOR CENTER STAFF REPORT

Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder distributed the Monthly Human Services/Senior Center Report. He provided attendance and participation figures for the month of November 2014.

Paratransit program service figures were still not available to the Senior Advisory Committee due to City of Fremont's delay in providing this information as the provider MV Transportation is still having problems reconciling the report.

City of Fremont Program Manager Shawn Fong was in attendance to recap on the details of the delay for providing the figures to Newark Senior Center. She assured members that service has not been affected and there have been no complaints from seniors about MV Transportation Services and they have not been paid for this fiscal year. She hopes to have figures by next meeting.

## **F. OLD BUSINESS**

### **F.1 Committee Member Ballard Request to Consider Renaming the Newark Senior Center – Status Update**

Chairperson Nagy provided an update regarding recommendation to City Council to request the renaming of the Senior Center in honor of Mr. Clark Redeker.

Committee Member Reichmuth expressed her concerns about renaming the Newark Senior Center. She pointed out that it would be difficult for the public to find location by a person's name and also finds it disrespectful for other senior volunteers that have dedicated many volunteer hours to the senior center. She requested to keep the Newark Senior Center name as it is.

Other committee members also expressed their concerns on the renaming of the Newark Senior Center.

Committee Member Powell requested to reconsider the recommendation to withdraw motion from City Council on the renaming of the Newark Senior Center.

Committee Members would like to resend the motion passed at last meeting and continue discussion at a future meeting.

Committee Member Powell made a motion to resend the action taken at last meeting to recommend the City Council the renaming of the Newark Senior Center to Mr. Clark Redeker Senior Center. Committee Member Hall seconded the motion. The motion passes, 4 AYES, 3 RECUSED (R. Arellano, S. Arellano and Ballard).

## **G. NEW BUSINESS**

### **G.1 Tri-City Elder Coalition Update**

TCEC Representative Faye Hall reported on the presentation provided to members regarding shortage of affordable housing for seniors in the Tri-City Area. Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder and Committee Member Faye Hall were both in attendance for this presentation.

### **G.2 Upcoming Programs/Trips/Special Events**

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida reported that Winter/Spring Activity Guide was distributed to Newark Residents the last week of November. She also reminded members about Senior Center Holiday Hours Schedule.

Senior Recreation Supervisor Karen Moraida highlighted the following events:

- Newark residents registration began December 1, 2014
- Nonresidents registration began December 3, 2014
- Newark Senior Center received a grant for seniors from the Regional Park Foundation. A free field trip to Crab Cove for 21 seniors is being coordinated for Tuesday, December 9 which will include a naturalist presentation and lunch.
- Staff & Guest Free Holiday Gift To You Party – December 11, 9:30am

### **G.3 Upcoming Meeting Schedule: Thursday, January 1, 2015 – Cancelled Thursday, February 5, 2015**

**H. COMMITTEE INPUT/REMARKS**

Committee Member Powell inquired about invitation from Fremont Senior Citizen Commission Joint Meeting on January 16, 2015. Program Manager Fong will coordinate with Denise Churchill and notify Recreation Director regarding joint meeting.

Committee Member Elwood congratulated Mayor Al Nagy on his reelection.

**I. PUBLIC INPUT**

City of Fremont Program Manager Shawn Fong provided report on Paratransit Program. She reported on the resulting passing of Measure B in November. The passing of this measure means an increase funding for transportation services for seniors with disability in our communities.

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am

Respectfully submitted,

**Edda Rivera**  
**Administrative Assistant**