



# CITY OF NEWARK

## SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Clark W. Redeker Newark Senior Center  
7401 Filbert Street, Newark, CA  
9:15 a.m.

### Minutes

Thursday, November 7, 2019

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

Chairperson Al Nagy called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m. Present were Senior Advisory Committee Members: Rick Arellano, Sandi Arellano, Elwood Ballard, Kathleen Lemos, Eileen McDonald, Stanley Keiser, and Dolores Powell.

Committee Member: Glen Wickizer was noted absent.

Staff present: David Zehnder, Nick Cuevas and Cheryl Galvez

#### B. MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes of the Thursday, October 3 Senior Advisory Committee Meeting were moved for approval by Committee Member Dolores Powell and seconded by Committee Member Stanley Keiser with all in favor.

#### C. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Nagy welcomed Lisa Chen from Tri-City Health Center.

#### D. GUEST SPEAKER

Song "Lisa" Chen from Tri-City Health Center introduced Committee Members to the variety of services provided by Tri-City Health Center, a non-profit serving Tri-City residents.

Chairperson Al Nagy inquired as to why the Hispanic population was not part of the pie chart included in the presentation. Lisa Chen advised she would look into that but assumed it was part of the "other" ethnicity group.

Committee Member Dolores Powell inquired as to the date of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala. Lisa Chen advised a date has not yet been set but the event would be publicized in the community.

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

Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder distributed and reviewed statistics.

#### F. OLD BUSINESS

None

## **G. NEW BUSINESS**

### **G.1 Upcoming Programs/Trips/Special Events**

Recreation Coordinator Cheryl Galvez reminded committee members about the Friendsgiving Potluck scheduled for Friday, November 15 at noon and announced the Newark Recreation and Community Services Winter/Spring Activities Guide would be published later this month with registration beginning in December.

Recreation and Community Services Director David Zehnder invited Committee Members to attend the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Holiday Tree Lighting/Trees of Angels which, due to City Center construction project, will now be held at the George M. Silliman Community Activity Center beginning at 5:30pm.

### **G.2 Upcoming Meeting Schedule:**

**Thursday, December 7, 2019 9:00 a.m.** (no meeting, just breakfast)

At My Café, Newark.

## **H. COMMITTEE INPUT/REMARKS**

Committee Member Eileen McDonald distributed recruitment flyers for the Ohlone College Oversight Committee. Committee Member McDonald also advised she is organizing a coat drive for "Coats for Kids" and in need of new with tags on, size 5-12 coats for children.

Committee Member Dolores Powell asked for an update on the Senior Center parking lot entrance/exit issue. Recreation and Community Services Director Zehnder advised the Public Works Department was doing a study but no update was available yet.

Committee Member McDonald expressed concern over a rumored bond measure being brought forward by the Newark Unified School Board and suggested seniors offer their input and recommendation for exemption if the measure moves forward. Chairperson Al Nagy suggested a member of the NUSD School Board speak on the issue at an upcoming Senior Advisory Meeting.

Committee Member Kathleen Lemos voiced that the patchwork being done on Newark Streets looked tacky and questioned why the streets are not being resurfaced instead. Chairperson Nagy advised the City works with experts who assess the streets and advise if patches or full resurfacing is necessary.

Committee Member Stanley Keiser inquired about the City of Newark tree removal responsibility on homeowner's property. Chairperson Nagy advised he believes it depends on where the tree falls and if it is blocking the public right-of-way.

Committee Member Dolores Powell inquired what was being constructed across the street from the post office. Chairperson Nagy advised it was

additional storage facilities.

Chairperson Nagy announced another 80+ senior housing unit is under review in Newark at Timber Street and Central Avenue.

**I. PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Cheryl Galvez**  
**Recreation Coordinator**