RIVERSIDE COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING GENERAL MEETING

Location: 3610 Central Avenue, Suite 102, Riverside, California

44-199 Monroe Street, Suite B, Indio, California

Date: February 14, 2024 Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Facilitator: Renne Sanchez, Supervising Program Specialist

Agenda Items

1. First Order of Business – Mark Cox, Chair

1.1 Call to Order: **10:06 am**

1.2 Establish Quorum:

Roll Call: 9 present of 14 members – quorum reached.					
Barbara Adams	/	Tyler Cobb		Steve Mehlman	/
Don Brock		Mark Cox	/	Milissa Meyer	
Leezett Casal	/	Debbie Franklin	/	Barbara Mitchell	/
Teresa Chappell	\	Cynthia Lemus	•	Sterlon Sims	-
Barbara Christian	/	Javier Lopez	/		

- 1.3 Self-Introductions
- 1.4 ADA Guideline Requests
- 1.5 Invocation
- 1.6 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.7 Public Comments
- 1.8 Chair Reports and Reminders
 - a. Reminder of March 13, 2024 Indio Meeting location.

Chair reminded members of the need to reschedule the October 11, 2023 meeting in order to meet their 10-meeting minimum.

Chair reminded members of the upcoming election cycle.

- 2. Department Updates/ADRC Reports Renne Sanchez, Supervising Program Specialist
- 2.1 Brown Act Training Dates Reminder

All but one of the new members have completed their Brown Act Training. The remaining member will complete training within one year of their appointment.

2.2 Bylaws Submission Update

Staff received notification of edits and updates recommended by County Counsel.

2.3 Reimbursement Update

Mileage reimbursements are in progress. Members were reminded to fill out their mileage forms.

2.4 General Department Updates

Staff updated the Council on the Office on Aging's progress drafting the 2024-2028 Area Plan. Staff noted the Area Plan Public Hearing is set for March 13, 2024 from 10:00 am – 11:00 am.

3. Presentations

3.1 Office on Aging Overview – *Director Jewel Lee, Deputy Director Maile Haynes, Regional Manager Renee Skidmore, Supervising Program Specialist Renee Dar-Khan*

Staff provided the council information on the Office on Aging's focus on inter-agency communication and integration. Staff discussed the Office's commitment to community engagement.

3.2 California Senior Legislature Updates – *John Pointer*

Mr. Pointer provided the council with an overview of CSL functions and the bills CSL is currently working on. He noted the CSL elections are coming up and encouraged members to attend Senior Rally Day on May 8, 2024.

- 4. Discussion and Action Items Mark Cox, Chair
- 4.1 Approval of January 14, 2024 General Council Meeting Minutes

Discussion: None.

Public Comments: **None.**Motion: **Debbie Franklin**Second: **Barbara Christian**

Member Vote: 7/7 – vote passed.					
Barbara Adams	/	Tyler Cobb		Steve Mehlman	/
Don Brock		Mark Cox	/	Milissa Meyer	
Leezett Casal		Debbie Franklin	/	Barbara Mitchell	
Teresa Chappell	/	Cynthia Lemus		Sterlon Sims	
Barbara Christian	/	Javier Lopez	>		

4.2 Council's Desired Future Presentation Topics

Discussion: Council officers requested member feedback on presentations and topics they would like to learn about. Members suggested the following topics: Medicare, elder abuse and fraud prevention, Adult Protective Services, homelessness prevention and senior housing, taxation and affordability for older adults, hospital discharge care, behavioral healthcare for older adults, senior demographics and income, and Community Action Programs. Staff encouraged members to contact community members who may be good presenters on these topics.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: **None**. Second: **None**.

Member Vote: no vote taken.					
Barbara Adams		Tyler Cobb		Steve Mehlman	
Don Brock		Mark Cox		Milissa Meyer	
Leezett Casal		Debbie Franklin		Barbara Mitchell	
Teresa Chappell		Cynthia Lemus		Sterlon Sims	
Barbara Christian		Javier Lopez			

4.3 Formalize Ad-Hoc Committee Membership and Meeting Dates

Discussion: The Chair opted to defer this topic to the March 13, 2024 meeting, during which the council hopes to have more information on their new Bylaws. Staff encouraged members to consider ad-hoc committees which may be needed to address issues facing older adults in Riverside County.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: **None**. Second: **None**.

Member Vote: no vote taken.					
Barbara Adams		Tyler Cobb		Steve Mehlman	
Don Brock		Mark Cox		Milissa Meyer	
Leezett Casal		Debbie Franklin		Barbara Mitchell	
Teresa Chappell		Cynthia Lemus		Sterlon Sims	
Barbara Christian		Javier Lopez			

- 5. Committee Reports from Chairs
- 5.1 Bylaws Committee None
- 5.2 Membership Committee *Cynthia Lemus*
 - a. Update on Council Applicant Review Process
- 5.3 Healthy Living None
- 5.4 Community Connections None
- **6.** Liaison Reports None
- 7. Ambassador Reports None
- **8.** Member Reports None
- 9. Closing Comments & Special Announcements None

10. Adjourn – Mark Cox, Chair

Discussion: Two council members indicated they had to leave the meeting due to time constraints, resulting in a loss of quorum and the adjournment of the meeting. Agenda items 5 through 9 were not addressed during this meeting.

Public Comments: None.

Motion to Adjourn: Barbara Mitchell

Second: Javier Lopez

Member Vote: 9/9 – vote passed.					
Barbara Adams	/	Tyler Cobb		Steve Mehlman	/
Don Brock	·	Mark Cox	✓	Milissa Meyer	
Leezett Casal	/	Debbie Franklin	\	Barbara Mitchell	/
Teresa Chappell	✓	Cynthia Lemus		Sterlon Sims	-
Barbara Christian	/	Javier Lopez	/		

Adjourned at: 12:05 pm

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