



**SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center  
Tuesday, January 9, 2024  
9:30 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Janie Aguirre called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

*Members Present:* Gilbert Aguirre, Janie Aguirre, Dolores Duran, Bonnie Fox, Hilda Zamora, Astrid Shesterkin, Dolores Romero, Josefina Lara, Paul Nakamura, Yoko Nakamura

*Members Absent:* Johnny Hernandez

*Staff:* Jose Carrillo, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary  
Jasmine Oregel, Administrative Assistant II

*Guests:* Zachary Salzar, CHP Public Information/Recruitment Officer  
Rosa Ontiveros, CHP Senior Volunteer

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Paul Nakamura

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Astrid Shesterkin and seconded by Gilbert Aguirre to approve the Minutes for the November 14, 2023 meeting.

6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

None.

7. PRESENTATIONS

*California Highway Patrol (CHP) Senior Volunteer Program*

Officer Zachary Salazar and Senior Volunteer Rosa Ontiveros provided a brief presentation of the CHP Senior Volunteer Program.

- There are various areas a senior volunteer can assist in. Some areas include: automotive service and maintenance, clerical support, receptionist, ride alongs, school safety patrols, and more.
- Senior volunteers become certified to drive the CHP vehicles.
- There are currently 13 volunteers and the max capacity is 25 volunteers for this program.

- Volunteers are required to volunteer for a minimum of 4 hours a week, Monday through Friday.
- A volunteer cannot have any felony convictions.
- A volunteer must have a valid drivers license.
- Volunteers do not take enforcement action, they only observe and report.
- The CHP office in the City also has the Age Well, Drive Smart program and the El Protector program.

## 8. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Mr. Carrillo reported on the following to the committee:

- a. Recap of the 2023 Thankful Neighbor Basket Program
- b. Recap of the 2023 Neighborly Elf Christmas Basket Program

## 9. OLD BUSINESS

None.

## 10. NEW BUSINESS

### a. *Nomination and Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson*

- i. Executive Secretary opened nominations for Chairperson.
- ii. Janie Aguirre was nominated by Hilda Zamora. Janie Aguirre accepted and member Shesterkin seconded the nomination of Janie Aguirre as Chairperson.
- iii. Bonnie Fox was nominated by Dolores Romero, Bonnie Fox respectfully declined.
- iv. Astrid Shesterkin was nominated by Hilda Zamora, Astrid Shesterkin accepted and member Lara seconded the nomination of Astrid Shesterkin as Chairperson.
- v. No other nominations were received and Janie Aguirre was elected Chairperson for 2024 by majority vote.
- vi. Executive Secretary opened nominations for Vice-Chairperson.
- vii. Astrid Shesterkin was nominated by Gilbert Aguirre. Astrid Shesterkin accepted and member Zamora seconded the nomination of Astrid Shesterkin as Vice-Chairperson.
- viii. No other nominations were received and Astrid Shesterkin was elected Vice-Chairperson for 2024 by unanimous vote.

## 11. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

### a. *Family and Human Services Division Program and Project Updates*

Executive Secretary Carrillo provided a brief overview of the older adult programming that is currently in session and the upcoming special events. Members are encouraged to read through the report in the January packet for more detailed information.

- a. Bingo
- b. Games and Fun
- c. Create-it Now
- d. Monthly Birthday Cake Celebration
- e. Café Con José
- f. Movin' N' Groovin' Chair Exercise
- g. Pickleball

- h. New Year's Dance
- i. Garden Fun Under the Sun
- j. Karaoke
- k. New! Sound Bath Meditation
- l. Super Smoothies
- m. Food Art
- n. Centerpiece Creations

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Committee members proposed having staff from the Police Services Center be present at an upcoming meeting to provide members the opportunity to discuss current issues or ask questions they may have.

13. MEMBERS COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Details were shared about the upcoming Quartermania event hosted by the Women's Club. It will take place at Town Center Hall on March 17<sup>th</sup> and tickets are available for purchase. Additionally, members were encouraged to share that the Women's Club will be providing scholarships once again to senior high school students graduating in 2024.

14. ADJOURNMENT – CHAIRPERSON JANIE AGUIRRE

Chairperson Janie Aguirre adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

**The Next Meeting of the Senior Advisory Committee will be held in-person at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center on February 13, 2024.**



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Jose Carrillo, Executive Secretary



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Jasmine Oregel, Administrative Assistant II