COMMISSION ON AGING
Minutes
North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Avenue
Berkeley, CA
Wednesday
April 16, 2014
1:30 p.m.

Preliminary Matters

1. Roll Call
Present: Allen Stross, Judy Turiel, George Porter, Josephine Ratnam, Andreas Lazaris, Bill Schechner, Veta Jacqulin, Edith Hallberg
Excused Absent: Gabriella Castello-Kramer
Staff Present: Leah Talley
Public: None

2. Public Comment
None

3. Approval of March 19, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes.
The minutes were accepted as presented: (M/S/C: Jacqulin /Turiel; Ayes: Stross, Turiel, Porter, Ratnam, Lazaris, Schechner, Jacqulin, Hallberg; Noes: None; Abstain: None).

4. Announcements.

5. Planning of community meeting for Fall 2014, including:
a. Should the Aging Commission hold a Meeting?
b. When and where should the meeting be held?
c. What is the focus/goal of the meeting?
d. What should be on the agenda?

Ideas for promoting the meeting:
Commission wants to hear what makes seniors life more comfortable.
Help us set our advocacy/policy agenda.
Consider where there are gaps in services, where services are lacking.

6. Possible outreach at North Berkeley Senior Center Health Fair.

7. The need for better lighting and safety at the intersection of Sacramento and Bancroft.
The Commission on Aging moves to communicate with Council in support of a proposed item from Councilmembers Moore and Arrequin for traffic calming along Sacramento, such as lighted crosswalks. The Commission is particularly concerned about the safety of residents in senior housing at the corner of Bancroft and Sacramento.

(M/S/C: Turiel /Stross; Ayes: Stross, Turiel, Porter, Ratnam, Lazaris, Schechner, Hallberg; Noes: None; Abstain: Jacqulin).

An amendment to the action was accepted by the commission:
*The communication should convey the Commission’s belief that this Sacramento corridor represents a larger problem of pedestrian safety that the City needs to assess and address.*

(M/S/C: Turiel/Jacqulin; Ayes: Stross, Turiel, Ratnam, Lazaris, Schechner, Jacqulin, Hallberg; Noes: None; Abstain: Porter).

8. **Facility Condition Assessments**

Staff reviewed line items for senior center facility needs presented in an information report by the City’s Public Works Department to City Council on April 1, 2014.

9. **Review of Aging Services Work Plan**

10. **Future Agenda Items**

    Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

    Minutes Approved on: May 21, 2014

    Leah Talley, Commission Secretary