

AGING AND ADULT SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MAY 4, 2016

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Gustavo Serinà called the meeting to order at 9:30.

The Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) Commission Secretary called the roll.

Present: Gustavo Serinà, Katie Loo, Richard Ow and Neil Sims

Absent: Edna James Samer Itani, Kaushik Roy

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden is present.

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 4, 2016 DAAS COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James Samer Itani, Kaushik Roy

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 4, 2016 DAAS COMMISSION MEETING CONSENT AGENDA

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James Samer Itani, Kaushik Roy

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 6, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

The motion was unanimously approved.

Absent: Edna James Samer Itani, Kaushik Roy

General Public Comment:

No public comment.

Commissioner Samer Itani is present

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden and the DAAS Commission recognized and thanked Karen Perez for her “can do” and for providing excellent administrative support to the Office on Aging.

Commissioner Serinà congratulated Shireen McSpadden on behalf of all the DAAS Commissioners for her appointment to Executive Director of DAAS.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden along with a California Aging Coalition attended the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A) policy briefing in Washington DC in April. Ms. McSpadden mentioned the topics that were discussed at the Policy Briefing: Social Security, Medicare, the senior housing crisis, nutrition and food security. Ms. McSpadden stated that Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi’s aid Wendell Primus is very concerned about issues regarding older adults and adults with disabilities and is working to engage the American public to be more concerned when it comes to aging adults. Ms. McSpadden said that it was an interesting visit and that the conversations were much more hopeful than they have been in the past. Ms. McSpadden announced that she will be running for a seat on the board of the N4A and that the elections will be held in July. There are two seats from California and she was asked to apply because San Francisco is such an important player in California. Supervisor Weiner has put forth an ordinance some draft language for LGBT data collection. The LGBT Senior Task force has been very involved in promoting the concept in data collection around LGBT demographics to better serve the LGBT population in San Francisco. We as a city want to be sure that when that LGBT data gets collected that it’s collected with sensitivity and that staff really understands what they are asking, what the context is and that they are able to adequately explain. Ms. McSpadden mentioned that President Obama finally signed the Older Americans Act. The Older Americans Act is the back bone of the national funding and priorities for older adults and it was really important that it was passed. Ms. McSpadden mentioned that the department has been working with the Dignity Fund Coalition and with the Mayor’s Office around what the Dignity Fund language looks like. There is a time crunch (end of May) with getting the Dignity Fund’s final legislative language, and Ms. McSpadden is hopeful that we are getting closer to finalizing that language. This afternoon at 1:00 PM in the Board Chambers Ms. McSpadden will be presenting the DAAS Budget to the Board of Supervisors. Finally, Ms. McSpadden mentioned the Fair Labor Standards Act sanctions in IHSS went into effect a couple of months ago. This week the tolling went into effect which means that the violation sanctions will go into effect for people who misstate their overtime. IHSS is not clear on how to handle those violations and are waiting to hear from the state.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT/Leon Schmidt

Mr. Schmidt reported that the Advisory Council met on Wednesday, April 20. And introductions of the three new members: Beverley Taylor, Kay Parekh and William Marotta were made to the council. Miguel Rodas was also introduced to the Council. Mr. Rodas was nominated to the Advisory Council by Supervisor David Campos, and will go before the Rules Committee sometime in May. A detailed presentation of the 2016-2020 Area Plan was given by HSA staff member Rose Johns and Executive Director Shireen McSpadden. The Area Plan was voted for unanimously by the Advisory Council. The Advisory Council voted to write a letter of support and ask the Commission

to support two pieces of state legislation. AB 1584 will take the first step towards restoring the recession driven cuts of recent years enabling elder and disabled Californians to meet their basic needs. AB 1655 increases the personal care allowance for people living in long term care facilities. A discussion was held by the Advisory Council regarding ways to revamp their Site Visit system and more information will be provided at the next Commission Meeting. A site visit was made to the Jewish Community Center and received very good reviews. The Education Committee completed their last training at the Institute on Aging around the issues of elderly abuse. The Advisory Council would like to thank DAAS staff member Rick Appleby for making these trainings possible. May is Senior Month and a rally will take place in Sacramento on Wednesday, May 11, 2016. All are invited and encouraged to attend and support

ADVIOSRY COUNCIL’S JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT/Diane Lawrence:

Old Business

1. The California Senior Legislature issued legislative agenda for 2016 with a total of 10 bills which we discussed in January. One of the bills has a number and sponsor.

New Business:

1. End of Life Option Bill takes effect June 9.
2. Hospital and Caregiver Act took effect on January 1, 2016
 - a. Requires hospitals to record the name of the patient’s designated family caregiver upon admission
 - b. Keep the caregiver informed on discharge plans
 - c. Make sure the caregiver has the instructions they need to safely provide care when the patient transitions home.

Updates:

California Bill Number	Sponsor	Title	Summary
CSL Kammerer - Fountain Valley	California Senior Legislature Funding		Would appropriate \$400,000 annually to cover CSL’s basic operating costs and Continue to permit CSL to accept gifts and grants from any source to help perform its functions.
CSL Gould—West Hills		Labeling of Prescription Drugs	Requires doctors to include the purpose for which the medication is being prescribed on all prescriptions so that it can be included on the label, unless the patient requests otherwise.

AB 1655	CSL Bill Dodd (District 4)	Medi-Cal: Long Term Care Personal Needs Allowance <i>CSL requested the Advisory Council's support.</i>	☑ Increases the personal needs allowance from \$35 to \$80 per month and ☑ annually adjusts it to be the same percentage as the Consumer Price Index
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CSL Dahlgren – Los Banos		Would fund CSL in an amount not less than \$500,000 annually. <i>Hearing on 4/28/16.</i>
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CSL Krohn-Walnut Creek	Elder Financial Abuse: Reporting Financial Institutions	Increases the civil penalty for failure to report financial abuse to a minimum of \$25,000 for each unreported transaction; require financial institutions to implement training, and Authorize a person who has reported suspected abuse to make
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LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL(LTCCC) REPORT/ Jeremy Wallenberg

Mr. Wallenberg stated that the last meeting for the LTCCC was held on Thursday, April 14. There were two presentations. The first presentation was a Post-Acute report which was requested by the Health Commission last fall. The Senior Health program planner along with the Department of Public Health presented on the Post –Acute which was requested by the Health Commission last month. The purpose of the report was to assess the impact of reduced skilled nursing facility beds on need supply and gap in the post-acute care services in San Francisco. There was also a presentation from Joanne Handy the CEO of Leading Age, Ms. Handy presented on their Pathways initiative which aims to foster federal and state reforms with regards to long term service and support needs. More pressing matters that came up at the LTCCC last meeting was finalizing the LTCCC 2016 budget asks. The LTCCC will be organizing meetings over the next few weeks with the BOS and the Mayor to discuss their budget priorities. Finally, the next LTCCC meeting will take place on Thursday, May 12, 2016 and a Dignity Fund presentation will take place.

TACC REPORT/Cathy Russo

No Report

CASE REPORT/Greg Moore

Mr. Moore congratulated Ms. McSpadden for her Executive Director of DAAS appointment. On Monday CASE met with Melissa Whitehouse from the Mayor's Office to discuss CASE's 2016 advocacy campaign efforts and will be delivering their post cards to the Mayor tomorrow and later on this month to the BOS. The contingent communicated to the Mayor that CASE would be advocating for the Dignity Fund campaign. Mr. Moore announced on Thursday, May 5, the Senior Disability Action Rally which will take place on the front steps of San Francisco City Hall at 1:30 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jessica Lehman gave an update on a couple of other budget items that case is working on. The new Support-at-Home program which is a homecare subsidy program and would benefit people who have a little bit too much income or assets to qualify for IHSS but do not have the kind of money that it takes to pay for a lot of private homecare they are hoping the Commission will support this program. CASE is also continuing to work for more funding for the SROs.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS:

- Carrie Wong reviewed of the Community Living Fund Six Month Report for July – December, 2015. (Discussion only)
 - A. Requesting authorization to renew the grant agreement with COMMUNITY LIVING CAMPAIGN for provision of the Aging and Disability Friendly Community (ADFC) Project at Cayuga Terrace; during the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018; in the amount of \$122,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$134,200. Linda Murley presented the item.

Public Comment

Glenda Hope thanked the Commission for the continued for the Aging and Disability Friendly Community (ADFC Project at Cayuga Terrace.

A MOTION TO APPROVE:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James and Kaushik Roy

- B.** Requesting authorization to modify the grant with Curry Senior Center for Community Services; during the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; in the additional amount of \$35,000, plus a 10% contingency for a revised total grant amount not to exceed \$688,059. Michael Zaugg presented the item.

Public Comment

No public comment

A MOTION TO APPROVE:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James and Kaushik Roy

- C.** Requesting authorization to modify the grant with Mission Neighborhood Centers for Community Services; during the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; in the additional amount of \$30,000, plus a 10% contingency for a revised total grant amount not to exceed \$1,143,074. Linda Murley presented the item.

Public Comment

No public comment

A MOTION TO APPROVE:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James and Kaushik Roy

- D.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new contract with Merced Residential Care; during the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018; in the amount of \$192,000, plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$211,200. Jill Nielsen presented the item.

Public Comment

No public comment

A MOTION TO APPROVE:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James and Kaushik Roy

- E. Requesting authorization to enter into a new contract with American Telesource, Inc. (DBA ATI); during the period of June 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; in the amount of \$196,737.94, plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$216,412. Megan Elliot presented the item.

No public comment

A MOTION TO APPROVE:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James and Kaushik Roy

- F. 2016-2020 Area Plan for Submission to the California Department of Aging. Rose Johns presented the item.

Public Comment

No public comment

A MOTION TO APPROVE:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent: Edna James and Kaushik Roy

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Maria Bermudez, Operations Director at Mission Neighborhood Centers congratulated Executive Director Shireen McSpadden and thanked the Commission for approving for their grand augmentation.

Marie Jobling announced that Comcast is currently offering the opportunity for people to sign up for low cost internet. A registration event will take place on Friday, May 6, from 1:00 PM-4:00 PM at 390 Valencia Street. Ms. Jobling also gave an update on the Dignity Fund Campaign. The Dignity Fund has been submitted with all of the changes and suggestions from everyone to the City Attorney to get a final draft. The DAAS Commission will play a strong roll with the Dignity Fund in the future and she looks forward to working with them in the upcoming months.

Jackie Wright thanked the Commission for the work that they do and helping the most vulnerable in the city. Ms. Wright submitted a document to the Commission expressing her concern with housing issues for seniors in San Francisco.

MOTION TO ADJOURN,

Meeting adjourned 11:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Badasow
Commission Secretary