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Commission on Aging General Meeting Minutes - **DRAFT**  
 Monday, September 14, 2020 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.  
 Location: ZOOM Virtual Meeting Conducted due to COVID-19

Members present: JoAnne Arnos; Maria Elena Barr; Walter Batara; Patty Clement; Karen Coppock; Angela Giannini; Jean Hastie; Christina Dimas-Kahn; Joan Kilroe; Monika Lee; Marita Leth; Michael Mau; Scott McMullin; Cherie Querol Moreno; Liz Taylor.

Members excused: Elsa Agasid

Staff: Anna Sawamura; Andrew Eng; Cristina Ugaitafa; Diane Madriz

Public: Sandra Lang; Bernie Mellott; Ann O'Brien Keighran; Wes Taoka; Evelina Chang; Terue Shinohara; Sandra Winter; Becky Flanagan

ITEM	DISCUSSION
1. Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call	Meeting called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chairperson Hastie. Chairperson Hastie led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call followed.
2. Oral Communications	<p>Sandra Lang shared her opinion that the Great Plates Delivered program is a great resource for older adults. She feels it has provided the opportunity to connect with people we have not been able to reach.</p> <p>She also was pleased to hear from Commissioner Barr of the activities in San Bruno utilizing open outdoor space for safe, social distanced activities.</p> <p>She also thanked the Commission for convening in August and holding breakout sessions where all could participate in identifying important priorities to support older adults during the pandemic.</p> <p>Ann O'Brien Keighran announced that Supervisor Canepa and District 5 are planning to hold an Age Friendly Celebration via ZOOM on November 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:30. More details will follow. Please save the date.</p>
3. Approval of Today's Agenda: September 14, 2020	Chairperson Hastie announced that the Office of Emergency Services (OES) was originally scheduled to provide the Commission with a presentation today. Unfortunately, due to

	<p>the recent fires OES was not able to join us and will be rescheduled. September is Emergency Preparedness Month and Chairperson Hastie wanted to encourage everyone to enroll in the San Mateo County Alert System. She also requested consideration by Commissioners on how CoA can potentially collaborate with OES to have older adults better prepared during emergencies.</p> <p>Anna Sawamura requested a change to provide the staff report as agenda item #5 before the Member reports.</p> <p>Commissioner Coppock motioned to approve the revised agenda. Commissioner Dimas-Kahn seconded the motion. Motion passed.</p>
4a. Approval of July 13, 2020 minutes	<p>Motion to approve the minutes with edits was made by Commissioner Dimas-Kahn. Commissioner Barr seconded the motion. Motion passed.</p>
4b. Approval of August 10, 2020 minutes	<p>Motion to approve the minutes with edits was made by Commissioner Lee. Commissioner Kilroe seconded the motion. Motion passed.</p>
5. Staff Report	<p>Director Lisa Mancini thanked the Commission for all the work being done to identify ways they can support older adults and people with disabilities. She provided the following County situational awareness data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9,166 COVID Positive Tests</li> <li>• 89 new cases were reported over the weekend</li> <li>• 139 deaths were reported</li> <li>• 46 are hospitalized</li> <li>• 15 are in ICU</li> <li>• 10 ICU beds are available County wide</li> <li>• 182 homeless are being housed for their health and safety</li> </ul> <p>In response to the fires, AAS staff went and assisted at the Pescadero local assistance center to help seniors affected by the fires. Staff are also conducting home visits as needed and with the approval of clients.</p> <p>In response to the heat waves and poor air quality, AAS clients identified as high risk and living alone were contacted to offer support and to encourage all to stay indoors.</p> <p>The Great Plates Program continues to provide meals for older adults County wide: 2,294 older adults were provided meals today from 64 restaurants. \$11.5 million went towards supporting the restaurant economy.</p>

	<p>She also wanted to acknowledge the excellent work of the Community Based Organizations (CBOs) who are continuing to provide food, outreach and support during this pandemic.</p> <p>Anna Sawamura provided the following data of services being provided by the CBOs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information and Referral: 1007 inbound calls and 1985 outbound calls were made</li> <li>• Grab and Go Meals: 298 older adults received 2,765 meals</li> <li>• Home Delivered Meals: 4,089 clients received 6,624 meals</li> <li>• Adult Day Care: 349 inbound calls and 3,794 outbound calls to clients were made</li> <li>• Family Caregiver Support Program: 183 inbound calls and 1,118 outbound calls to clients were made</li> </ul>
<p>6. Member Reports</p>	<p>Commissioner Taylor announced the Colma Age Friendly Task Force submitted their application and was approved by AARP to receive designation as an “Age Friendly” city. She thanked Mayor John Goodwin for helping to lead the work for the City.</p> <p>Commissioner Lee announced that the City of San Mateo also submitted their application and have received “Age Friendly” city designation. This will be on the City Council’s September 21<sup>st</sup> agenda.</p> <p>Commissioner Querol Moreno congratulated City of Colma and San Mateo on receiving their certification. Daly City received their designation approximately 2 months ago. Daly City is now looking at including Emergency Preparedness as part of their second phase of work. Assembly member Nazarian is very supportive of their efforts.</p> <p>Commissioner McMullin shared the following data from the Paratransit Coordinating Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Redi-Wheels Pre-COVID provided 25,000 rides</li> <li>• Redi-Wheels during COVID provided 8,000 rides</li> <li>• Taxi rides Pre-COVID providing 40% of their total rides</li> <li>• Taxi rides during COVID is providing 15-20% of their total rides</li> <li>• On-time Performance Pre-COVID was 91%</li> <li>• On-time Performance during COVID is 97%</li> </ul> <p>He also shared that Proposition 22 on the November ballot is regarding UBER/LYFT drivers and having them become independent contractors. He encouraged all to carefully read</p>

	<p>and make your own decisions on whether or not to support the measure.</p> <p>He also announced that The Villages will be celebrating their 5 year anniversary. Please go their website for more information.</p> <p>Commissioner Mau announced that Pacifica has also received their approval to be an “Age Friendly” city.</p>
7. Identify members for the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee	<p>Chairperson Hastie announced that elections for officers will need to be held in November. She requested assistance from Commissioners to identify members for a Nominations Committee. Commissioners McMullin, Lee, and Barr volunteered to serve on the committee. Everyone thanked them for working on the slate of officers.</p>
8. Stretch Break	<p>There was a ten minute stretch break.</p>
9. Continue Discussion from August 10 <sup>th</sup> meeting	<p>Chairperson Hastie began by re-introducing the priorities identified at the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Food Insecurity/Emergency Supplies</li> <li>2. Social Isolation/Emergency Preparedness</li> <li>3. Building Relationships</li> <li>4. Technology Access</li> </ol> <p>She asked the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Are any Commissioners interested in all 4 priorities?</li> <li>2. Are there any existing CoA committees that can take the topic and meet before the next CoA General meeting to develop recommendations for CoA?</li> <li>3. In what ways can CoA advocate for the priorities identified?</li> </ol> <p>She requested that Commissioners and the public continue discussions in breakout groups. Breakout sessions met for approximately 15 minutes and reconvened.</p> <p>All groups reported that the four priorities are the priorities Commissioners would like to discuss further. All agreed to meet before the next CoA General meeting to provide specific recommendations for advocacy and support.</p> <p>Chairperson Hastie thanked everyone for participating with special thanks to Commissioners Clement, Coppock, Dimas-Kahn and Lee for leading and facilitating the four groups.</p>

10. Adjourn	Commissioner Batara made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Barr seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 11:00am.



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