

**Commission on Aging – Information, Resources and Community Engagement
Committee Meeting****Monday, June 9, 2025**

Location: 500 County Center Manzanita Hall

Commissioners Present: Arnos, Lee, Owdom, Giannini

Commissioners excused: Dependahl, Barsi

Staff Present: Anna Sawamura, Shawne O'Connell, Anna Dyer

Members of the Public: Michael Barber (SMC), Commissioner Dependahl joining virtually as member of the public

1. Welcome and Introductions	Chair Lee welcomed committee members and members of the public at 11:15 a.m.
2. Public Comment	none
3. Revise/Approve June 9, 2025, Agenda	Commissioner Owdom moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Giannini seconded. The agenda was approved.
4. Revise/Approve May 2025 Committee Minutes	Commissioner Arnos moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Lee seconded. Commissioners Giannini and Owdom abstained. The Minutes were approved.
5. Note Taking Assignment	Commissioner Lee agreed to take notes.
6. Old Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none">General Guidelines for representing Commission – This project is completed. Many thanks to Commissioners Barsi and Owdom for their efforts.Help at Home – The issue of a possible Facebook page was discussed. At the General Meeting there was a request that additional information about financial issues be included. Commissioner Dependahl, as a member of the public, commented that the Aging Readiness Committee will have recommendations in that regard. Discussion whether we should add a “how to choose” section on finances since we do not include references to for-profit organizations.Tabling – Michael Barber (Intergovernmental and Public Affairs Unit) reminded commissioners to complete the demographic survey. Discussion of how tabling may assist in recruiting more diverse commission members. Discussion of the effect of the Daily Journal takeover of many local health fairs which is making it more expensive to participate in events. Suggestion that City Councils be asked to insist that free or reduced fee options be provided for non-profits to participate in local events.Buddy Assignments – The presentation by commissioners Leth and Arnos about their buddy relationships was considered a success and it was decided to have more of this type of presentations in the future. Discussion of having another event similar to the “Meet and Greet” with local representatives in 2021, now that we have a good space for in person participation.

7. New Business	<p>a. <u>Work Plan Implementation and Coordination</u> Focus on the Age Friendly Status goal. Commissioner Giannini commented that the San Carlos Masterplan is not age friendly. Decision to ask commissioners to ascertain who is working on the age friendly initiative in their respective cities. Commissioner Lee will make these inquiries. Discussion of the need for social media presence (part of Goal I). Question whether this is an issue for the Advocacy Ad Hoc committee.</p> <p>b. <u>CoA Presentations</u> Ms. Sawamura reported that Director Pullen recommended that any RDA presentation regarding the Community Enrichment project not be scheduled until after RDA has started working with the advisory committee. Decision to have a presentation by MELP about their services and EDAP regarding scam prevention. Commissioner Giannini will coordinate with Ms. Sawamura regarding this presentation on July 14. It was decided to have additional buddy presentations.</p>
8. Announcements	No announcement
9. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m. Assignments are bolded. The next meeting will be on July 14, 2025, at 11:15 a.m. at 500 County Center Manzanita Hall.