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Commission on Aging Resources Access Committee Meeting Monday, July 12, 2021

Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

Commissioners Present: Lee (Chair), Arnos, Batara, Clement, Kilroe, Coppock, Querol Moreno

Public Present:

Aging and Adult Services Staff Present: Andrew Eng

1.	Welcome and Introductions	Chair Lee welcomed members of the public
2.	Public Comment	Several members of the public spoke about the threatened closure of the Mickelson Therapeutic Pool operated by Sutter Health
3.	Revise/Approve July 12, 2021 Agenda	Commissioner Kilroe moved to accept as submitted; Commissioner Querol Moreno seconded. Agenda approved as submitted.
4.	Review/Approve June 2021 Minutes	Commissioner Coppock moved to accept; Commissioner Querol Moreno seconded. Minutes approved as submitted.
5.	Committee Assignments	Commissioner Lee reminded members that both RAC committee members and all Commissioners are being asked to support the Building Relationships – Building Buddy Relationships initiative.
6.	Building Relationships – Buddy Relationships	 a. Chair Lee referred to documents introduced at the July General Meeting earlier in the day. b. Chair Lee asked that RAC committee members work on building relationships between now and the September CoA General Meeting. (CoA does not meet in August.) She suggested that each Commissioner meet at least one time with his/her designated "buddy" or "buddies" since pandemic mandates are being loosened. Commissioner Lee suggested that Commissioners should share with the buddies about RAC meeting dates and times and where/when meetings are held. Chair Lee pointed out that there is uncertainty around where CoA and RAC meetings will be held once we return to in-person events. Commissioner Querol Moreno asked if the County Hospital rooms previously used could be used again. Andrew indicated that those rooms would not be available due to the demolition of the hospital.
		Commissioner Querol Moreno asked about using a Senior Center. Andrew reminded that the location needs to be large enough to also accommodate public attendees. Chair Lee mentioned that an Ad Hoc Committee had investigated alternative meeting venues in early 2020 and made a report on its findings.

7. Building Relationships – Future Efforts	Commissioner Lee shared that future meetings and/or collaboration with the City staff and other "buddies" need to be discussed.
8. Re-evaluation of RAC Goals	Goal 1: The consensus was that it is an on-going goal to ensure that the community and the Commission be aware of resources available to older adults. Commissioner Lee described that this goal is an explicit sub-goal for the RAC. Commissioner Querol Moreno suggested that it is important that awareness and accessibility exists for all diverse groups of older adults. Commissioner Lee agreed that <i>Help at Home</i> needs to research publication in additional languages. She also would like the RAC to work with providers to make sure Commissioners have a higher awareness of resources. Chair Lee specifically addressed the Information and Assistance service providers with whom the County has contracts. Andrew explained which of the three providers (Daly City Partnership Healthy Aging Response Team, Peninsula Family Service, Senior Coastsiders) provide services in which languages. Commissioner Lee will look into a possible presentation at the RAC by one or more of these providers. Questions were raised regarding how such a presentation would fit with the RAC's mission.
	Goal 2: The consensus was that the RAC completed its portion of Goal II and passed the responsibility for implementing it to the Executive Committee. Commissioner Hastie confirmed that it was formally turned over to the Executive Committee in 2019.
	Goal 3: Commissioner Coppock, who was a previous chair of the RAC, indicated that the RAC had determined that it was not necessary to research other counties' resource access efforts. She also spoke to looking at drilling down to goals based on what is needed for older adults in San Mateo County, similar to what was done in an effort to reach out to faith-based organizations in 2018.
9. Planning for Re- Opening	Participation in and staffing of tabling events: Commissioner Hastie indicated that no tabling opportunities exist as of yet.
10. Planning for Help at Home Guide	Updates and Revisions: See discussion under Agenda Item #8.
11. Review Assignments from this Meeting	Commissioner Lee asked each RAC member to develop three possible goals for the 2022-2025 period for discussion at the next meeting. Commissioner Clement reminded all that each subcommittee's Goals are decided by the entire Commission. There was mention of a possible upcoming CoA retreat at which subcommittee Goals could be discussed.
12. Adjournment	Commissioner Arnos motioned for adjournment; Commissioner Kilroe seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.



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