**SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center**

**Tuesday, May 14, 2024**

**9:30 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Janie Aguirre called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL

*Members Present:* Gilbert Aguirre, Janie Aguirre, Dolores Duran, Bonnie Fox, Hilda Zamora, Astrid Shesterkin, Josefina Lara, Paul Nakamura, Yoko Nakamura, Nancy Krueger

*Members Absent:* Johnny Hernandez and Dolores Romero.

*Staff:* Jose Carrillo, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary

Ed Ramirez, Family and Human Services Manager

Adriana Duran, Administrative Assitant ll

*Guests:* None.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Paul Nakamura
2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Bonnie Fox and seconded by Dolores Duran to approve the minutes for the April 9, 2024 meeting.

1. PRESENTATIONS
2. *Art Fest Recap*

Mr. Ramirez delivered a presentation summarizing Art Fest, highlighting the significant increase in attendance across both nights. He elaborated on the introduction of the new exhibits and provided insights into the feedback gathered through surveys distributed to both staff and participants. Additionally, topics such as parking logistics, entertainment options, and the potential consideration of a date change were discussed.

1. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

None.

1. OLD BUSINESS

None.

1. NEW BUSINESS
2. *Senior Mingle*

The event took place in the Downey Senior Center. Seniors played bingo, participated in workshops, and arts and crafts. Members shared Downey seniors were interested in having the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center host their own senior mingle so they can see our site.

1. *Southeast Los Angeles Senior Dance*

The dance was held at the Commerce Casino and jointly hosted by 12 cities, featured lively music, dancing, and exciting raffle prizes. Among the attendees, 43 seniors represented the City of Santa Fe Springs, contributing to a grand total of approximately 600 seniors from all participating cities.

1. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Executive Secretary Carrillo provided a brief overview of the older adult programming that is currently in session and the upcoming special events.

1. *Family and Human Services Division Program and Project Updates*
2. Bingo takes place Tuesdays – Fridays (unless there is a Friday activity) from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
3. Games and Fun takes place Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
4. Create-it Now takes place on June 24th from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.
5. Monthly Birthday Cake Celebrations take place on the last Wednesday of the month at 11:45 a.m.
6. Café con José takes place on the last Thursday of the month at 11:45 a.m.
7. Movin’ N’ Groovin’ Chair Exercise classes take place on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:15 – 9:15 a.m.
8. Pickleball takes place on Mondays and Wednesdays at Los Nietos Park from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
9. Latin Dance Cardio takes place on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
10. Yoga takes place on Mondays from 1:00 – 2:20 p.m.
11. Garden Fun Under the Sun takes place on Mondays from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
12. Machine Sewing classes will take place the first and third Monday of the month until July 15th between 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.
13. Panoramic Picture day will take place May 22nd at 11:20 a.m. No registration is required
14. Karaoke will come back on May 24th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Resgistration begins on May 1st.
15. National Health and Fitness Day event will be held May 29 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Registration begins May 13th.
16. Hawaiian Luau Dance will take place June 7th from 9:00 – 12:00 p.m. Residents can register beginning on May 20th; Non-residents can register starting May 28th.
17. Older Adults Father’s Day Event on June 14th from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Residents can register beginning May 27th; Non-residents can register starting June 3rd.
18. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

1. MEMBERS COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members suggested having City Manager present for next meeting.

1. ADJOURNMENT – CHAIRPERSON JANIE AGUIRRE

Chairperson Janie Aguirre adjourned the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

**The Next Meeting of the Senior Advisory Committee will be held in-person at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center on May 14, 2024.**

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Jose Carrillo, Executive Secretary Adriana Duran, Administrative Assistant II