

Transportation and Aging in Community Committee Notes

Date: March 14, 2024 Time: 3:00-4:00pm

Location: 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Room 209, San Mateo, CA 94403

Committee members present: Kathy Uhl, Monika Lee, Irene Liana, Liz Taylor,

Marita Leth

Members excused: Angela Giannini

Youth Commission: Adele Ryono (via ZOOM)

Staff: Anna Sawamura

Members from the public joining (via ZOOM): Lynn Spicer, Margaret Baggerly

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Commissioner Liana chair
- 2. Note taking provided by Irene Liana
- 3. Public Comment: No public comments were made. Members of the public were introduced.
- 4. Review and Approve Agenda: Commissioner Lee moved to approve the agenda seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion approved.
- 5. Review and Approve notes from the prior meeting: Commissioner Lee moved to approve the notes, with specified edits, seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion approved.
- 6. SamTrans Report by Margaret Baggerly: Promotion and distribution of the new Senior Mobility Guides 5,000 English and 1,000 Spanish speaking guides distributed from mid December '23 through early February '24. Chinese speaking are in print. In addition there have been 26 presentations with 800 attendees and tabling events where an additional 1,000 have been handed out. There has also been collaboration with CHP (Drive Smart Program), AARP (Safety Program), and ads of booklet availability in the Daily Journal (18,000 readerships). Margret encouraged anyone to contact her for face to face presentations.

The Veteran's Village February Breakfast was attended with 25 residents present, Colma Mayor and Dan Barrows from the Vet's Village. The veterans completed a survey addressing how they travel and where they go. The future plan is to attend quarterly breakfast meeting to update those present on transportation services.

Ridership for RediWheels is increasing but not up to pre pandemic levels. All other services in the county are keeping pace. A discussion followed suggesting separate informational flyers available for each location on transportation services available. Margaret offered the flyers since she is already preparing them.

- 7. New Goals & Work Plan Discussion: It was decided to review the TAIC goals prior to an AD Hoc Meeting. After much discussion, it was decided to combine goals one and three and reformulate goal two. An additional suggestion was to opt for creating an Ombudsman Position in the County to act as a resource for identifying available senior housing.
- 8. Member Reports: Commission Uhl suggested distribution of materials for seniors through schools. Youth Commissioner Adele Ryono confirmed that this had been discussed in her Senior Outreach Club and it was acceptable to the club and the lead teacher of the club.

Commissioner Lee confirmed delivery to the Board of Supervisors of the letter on the Veterans Village bus stop issue. One positive response was received from Supervisor Slocom, emailed by Marcie Dragun, his Chief of Staff. with a shuttle proposal for early spring to address the issue.

9. New Business:

No new business was discussed

10. Next Meeting schedule and adjourn:

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 2024 from 3:00 – 4:00. Commissioner Liana made the motion to adjourn at 4:15 and Commissioner Lee seconded. Commissioner Twyla attended the meeting via ZOOM and requested after we adjourned. She reported that she attended a meeting of the Senior Affairs Commission of Redwood City. The commissioners are developing a Senior Transportation Survey to determine the needs of age 60+ resident. Discussion also took place on how to outreach to residents beyond senior center. The meeting was adjourned at 4:17.