

COMMITTEE: EXECUTIVE	MAY 20, 2019	LOCATION: 10 NORTH SAN PEDRO ROAD, RM 1018
PRESENT MEMBERS: Ralph Marchese, Salamah Locks, Sybil Boutilier, Teri Dowling, Girija Brilliant, Sue Kwentus PUBLIC: Diana López, Linda Jackson STAFF: Lee Pullen, Gary Lara		
EXCUSED: Ellie Bloch, Chris Asimos ABSENT:		
RECORDER: Gary Lara		
Next Meeting: 10 N. San Pedro Rd., Conference Room 1018 - Monday, June 24, 2019		

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<u>Call to Order</u> Chair Locks called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m. once the quorum was established.	
<u>Agenda</u> The May 20, 2019 agenda was approved.	
<u>Minutes</u> The April 22, 2019 minutes were approved as written.	

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<p><u>Public Comment:</u></p> <p>None</p> <p><u>Chair's Report:</u></p> <p>Chair Locks reported the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The 3rd Annual Statewide Elder and Dependent Adult Awareness event is scheduled on Thursday, June 6 from 1-4p.m. at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria at 828 I Street in Sacramento. Registration is available at this link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/elder-dependent-adult-abuse-awareness-event-tickets-60276178673. 2) The San Rafael City Council will be discussing the Northgate Housing proposal at its next meeting on May 21 at 7p.m. The address is 1400 Fifth Avenue in San Rafael. A portion of this housing site is for low income residents and older adults. 3) The Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District will hold a public hearing on the sewer service charge increase. The meeting is scheduled on Thursday, June 6 at 4:30p.m. 4) Locks encouraged the commissioners to distribute the June 6 commission meeting flyer to their designated areas of outreach. <p><u>Director's Report:</u></p> <p>Director Pullen reported the following items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Pullen noted the department's new hiring of a Licensed Mental Health Practitioner, Kelly Soto. This position will be utilized for person-centered counseling and therapy and will work with Aging 	

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<p>and Adult Services and HOPE’s behavioral health. Referrals will come through the In-Home Supportive Services and the Adult Protective Services programs.</p> <p>Commissioner Dowling felt this hiring decision was one more step in the right direction and noted more clinical people are needed.</p> <p><u>Action Items:</u></p> <p>None</p> <p><u>Discussion Items:</u></p> <p>1) General Meeting Calendar for FY 2019-2020: Locks noted it has been the practice of the executive team to have the Commission meeting calendar completed through the month of July. The meeting calendar for the fall months (September thru December) will be discussed by the new chair of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>A distinction was made about commission subcommittee goals and objectives. These items are set by April since those need to be included in the Area Plan which is due to the state by May 1 and submitted for public comment at the public hearing in early April.</p> <p>Commissioner Kwentus requested input from the executives regarding venue locations for the coming year.</p> <p>Commissioner Marchese noted the Housing and Transportation Committee will plan the meeting for November. The Legislative Committee agreed to take the month of December.</p> <p>Locks deferred further discussion on this topic until the next meeting. Item tabled for next month.</p>	

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2) MCCOA Meeting Venues and Topics Procedure: Pullen noted he recently met with Aging staff (Jenay, Amy and Mandy) to review the protocol for General meeting preparation and the current list of approved meeting sites.

Pullen noted any new prospective venues not currently on the list should be reviewed ahead of time by conducting a site visit using the “Meeting Venue Checklist” for reference.

Chair Locks commented she would like to see additional options for meeting space in the West Marin area. Commissioner Dowling noted Muir Beach has a good community room.

3) Aging Action Initiative: Commissioner Dowling noted the AAI convening on April 30 was very well attended. The AAI Steering Committee has two new co-chairs, Commissioner Dowling and Michelle Javid from Jewish Family and Children Services. Chair Joe O’Hehir is stepping down as chair but will remain as an AAI steering committee member.

The Collaborative team of Age-Friendly, AAI, Area Agency on Aging and Commission on Aging have formed a stronger advocacy group now that Healthy Marin Partnership has been added to the group. They envision working together for systematic change.

Linda Jackson noted the Commission on Aging had a strong presence at the April 30 convening. The AAI Steering Committee now has a new member, Aaron Alarcon-Bowen who is the Executive Director of the IHSS Public Authority of Marin. Lastly, the AAI is currently recruiting for Detect and Connect facilitators.

4) Ad-Hoc Committee HHS Plan: Commissioner Dowling noted the ad-hoc committee worked very hard to draft three potential questions to be utilized at the upcoming interviews in July and

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August for the new director of Health and Human Services. The questions have been sent to Matthew Hymel, County Administrator. Due to the confidential nature involved with interviews, the questions cannot be disclosed to this committee.

Dowling noted the ad-hoc committee will be following up with commissioners who met with their Board appointed supervisors to find out what the “to do” list entails.

Dowling also noted the Ad Hoc committee is proposing to continue at this point with a real focus on advocacy. With this goal in mind, Dowling would like to transform the Ad-Hoc committee into a new standing committee for advocacy. The current members of the Ad-Hoc are Commissioners Marchese, Dowling, López, Boutilier and Bloch.

Commissioner Brilliant expressed a concern about forming a new standing committee since the commissioners are already spread thin with their current commitments to standing committees.

Marchese noted the core of advocacy is reaching more people; however, Dowling noted that getting more people to attend the commission meetings is not advocacy. Brilliant requested they keep the ad-hoc committee model for now to which Dowling agreed.

Brilliant noted she is the commission liaison to the Marin Interagency Disaster Coalition. Brilliant noted the county’s response to the Marin Civil Grand Jury report on disaster preparedness is due in July. The report is available at this url: <https://www.marincounty.org/depts/gj/reports-and-responses/reports-responses/2018-19/wildfire-preparedness-a-new-approach>.

Dowling noted the Commission Ad Hoc group held the 1st of four quarterly meetings with Health and Human Services executives. This is just the beginning and she expects this effort will grow with time.

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<p><u>Committee Reports:</u></p> <p>Legislative: Co-Chair Boutilier spoke about the Disability Action Coalition’s partnership with the California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA) to co-host the first Disability and Aging Capitol Day on Thursday, May 23, 2019. Registration is available at this EventBrite link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-disability-aging-capitol-action-day-registration-53197893331. Carpooling for the event is available by meeting at the Novato Costco by 8:15 a.m.</p> <p>Bills slated for funding include SB 512; Long-Term Services and Supports and AB 1434; Public Social Services: SSI/SSP.</p> <p>Lastly, the City of Sausalito is in support of the commission advocacy letter for AB 1118; Age-Friendly California Act of 2019.</p> <p>Health and Nutrition: Commissioner Asimos was not present at today’s meeting. No report. The next meeting for this committee is Monday, July 15.</p> <p>Housing and Transportation: Commissioner Marchese noted Wednesday, June 19 as their next meeting.</p> <p>Marchese briefly discussed a concern about the disappearance of shelters for the homeless and that a moratorium has been put on religious organizations to provide them. There is also a lack of available funding to provide permanent shelters. Commissioner Brilliant cautioned it would be premature for the committee to formulate an action plan at this time.</p> <p>A third and fourth JADU event will be organized this fall. Southern Marin has been identified as one of the sites for this expo. Commissioner Hagerty and Linda Jackson will have more information at a later</p>	

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<p>date.</p> <p>Planning: Brilliant noted the committee is working hard on the July 11 Commission meeting on disaster preparedness. The meeting venue has been changed from the Tamalapais in Greenbrae to Tiburon Town Hall. Preparations and understanding new policies for sheltering in place will be discussed.</p> <p><u>New Business/Other:</u></p> <p>None</p> <p><u>Adjourn</u></p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:53 p.m. The next meeting is Monday, June 24, 2019 from 10:30 a.m. - noon.</p>	