

COMMITTEE: EXECUTIVE	JULY 22, 2024	LOCATION: 10 NSP, CONFERENCE RM 1018
<p><b>COMMITTEE MEMBERS:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristi Denton Cohen, Chair   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gene Ng, Vice-Chair   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suzanne Sadowsky, Secretary  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sylvia Barry, Housing and Transportation Chair   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rhea Brown, Health and Nutrition Chair  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diana López, Legislative Advocacy Chair   <input type="checkbox"/> Peter Rubens, Planning Chair   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lee Notowich, Ex Officio</p> <p><b>COA APPOINTEES NOT ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:</b>  <b>PUBLIC:</b> Lisa Brinkmann  <b>STAFF:</b> Camille Jolly, Gary Lara</p>		
<p><b>EXCUSED:</b> Peter Rubens  <b>UNEXCUSED ABSENCE:</b></p>		
<p><b>RECORDER:</b> Gary Lara</p>		
<p>Next Meeting: Monday, August 26, 2024 at 3 p.m., 10 NSP, conference room 1018 - In-Person Only</p>		
<p><b>MINUTES SUMMARY</b></p>	<p><b>ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY</b></p>	
<p><b><u>Call to Order</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair Denton Cohen called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Agenda</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The agenda of July 22, 2024 was approved as written.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Minutes</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The minutes of June 24, 2024 were approved as written.</li> </ul>		

**Open Time for Public Expression**

- None

**Announcements**

- Commissioner Brown noted BAHFA will place a [housing bond measure](#) on the November 2024 ballot to address critical housing challenges.
- Brown also made reference to an [Affordable Housing Civic Academy](#) between Marin CIL and Marin Organizing Committee.

**Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary Reports**

Chair Denton Cohen reported.

- AAA staff will consult with the county’s Accessibility office in regard to procedures for recording commission meetings on Zoom.
- Committee Chairs that would like to host hybrid meetings will need to take charge of the A/V and Zoom. The AAA has an available Zoom account.
- County Counsel acts in a parliamentary role for the Commission.
- Brown Act and Robert’s Rules of Order training is not needed at this time.
- Advised Chairs of the committees not to plan General Commission presentations until after the Commission retreat.
- There will not be a formation of an ad hoc committee to address issues for older adult women.

Vice Chair Ng reported.

- Commissioner Ng spoke about his work with dispensing scholarships to Asian American students.

Secretary Sadowsky reported.

- Commissioner Sadowsky plans to distribute the next meeting calendar after the commission retreat.

### **Aging and Adult Services Report**

AAA staff Gary Lara reported the following for Director Jenay Cottrell who is away on vacation.

- Introductions were made between members of the Executive Committee and new program manager for the Area Agency Aging, Camille Jolly.
- Director Cottrell attended the USAging conference in Tampa, FL last week. Cottrell will debrief on the conference at a later date.
- RFP applications for Modernization Funding for the Older Californians Act will close on Thursday, July 25. Services being funded are III B Health/Fall Prevention and III B Residential Repairs and Home Modifications.
- An RFP is scheduled for release on July 29 for nutrition, supportive services, health promotion and family caregiver program. Services will be funded through the Older Americans Act over the next four-year cycle. Applications will be due in about four weeks.
- H&HS Division of Homelessness and Coordinated Care has released an RFP which closes on August 5 for the purposes of seeking an organization to develop and administer a program to provide shallow rent subsidies to older adults over an 18-month period. Total funding is \$250,000. Questions pertaining to this specific RFP should be directed to H&HS Homelessness and Coordinated Care Director [Gary.Naja-Riese@marincounty.gov](mailto:Gary.Naja-Riese@marincounty.gov).

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Equity, Outreach and Advocacy (EOA): Suzanne Sadowsky**

- The committee did not meet in July. The next meeting is scheduled for August 9.

#### **Health and Nutrition: Rhea Brown**

- Chair Brown noted the committee welcomed new member, Commissioner Joan Clemmons.

- Brown met with the Marin Organizing Committee to discuss a livable wage for In-Home Supportive Service workers.
- State budget cuts to older adult programs were not as severely compromised after statewide meetings.
- The committee reviewed its revised objectives.

#### **Housing and Transportation: Sylvia Barry**

- Commissioner Barry debriefed on the committee's presentation at the last meeting from Leelee Thomas, Marin County Deputy Director of Housing and Federal Grants. BAHFA (Bay Area Housing Financing Authority) is planning for a \$20 Billion 'Bay Area Affordable Housing Bond' on the November Ballot. Thomas gave an update on the bond and how it might work with the County's Housing Element and other county related housing issues.
- The committee's next meeting is Wednesday, July 24.

#### **Legislative / CSL: Diana López**

- No report for CSL.
- The Legislative Advocacy Committee welcomed new member, Commissioner Kay Winer.
- Working on planning with Legislative Aides to create a list of questions for each meeting.

#### **Planning: Peter Rubens**

Commissioner Rubens was not present at today's meeting.

- Commissioner Notowich noted the committee reviewed their objectives at the last meeting.

#### **Discussion/Voting Items**

#### **Commission Retreat**

- Chair Denton Cohen discussed the areas that will be the focus of the Commission retreat in August. The list of proposals will be further refined during the event. Please send additional thoughts to the Chair and remember to RSVP for the event.

### **Committee Effectiveness**

- Chair Denton Cohen addressed having commissioners committed to at least two committees. Having sufficient attendees at subcommittee meetings is crucial.

### **Requests for Investigations for the 2024-2025 Marin Civil Grand Jury**

- Commissioner López would like to inform the Marin Civil Grand Jury about issues around aging. Please use this hyperlink to [request a Civil Grand Jury investigation](#).

### **Attending and Reporting Back from Relevant BOS Meetings**

- Chair Denton Cohen discussed the Board of Supervisors informing commissioners about relevant topics scheduled to be discussed on upcoming BOS agendas.
- Commissioner López suggested commissioners take turns reviewing Board agendas for relevant topics of interest to the Commission. This process will be further discussed during the commission retreat on August 13.

### **New Business**

- None.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. The next meeting will take place in person on Monday, August 26, 2024 at 3 p.m. in conference room 1018.