



AURORA COMMISSION FOR OLDER ADULTS (ACFOA)

Monday, February 6, 2023

1:00 p.m.

Hybrid- WebEx Virtual Meeting
and in-person at

Aurora Center for Active Adults
30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, CO 80011

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: By Chair at 1:04 PM

ACFOA MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeannie Davis, Chair; Sandy Thomas, Vice-Chair; Juanita Audre, Frances Dollard, Frankiemae Perry, and Barbara Schneller; Commissioner Delfina Ashley-Baisden attended virtually.

ACFOA MEMBERS ABSENT: George Bain, Commissioner.

OTHERS PRESENT: Brooke Bell, Director of Parks, Recreation and Open Space; Nicole Ankeney, Manager of PROS Planning, Design and Construction; Michelle Teller, Senior Planner, Planning, Design and Construction; Rian French, Project Manager, Planning, Design and Construction; Ronald Roulhac, Facility Program Supervisor ACAA, ACFOA Liaison; Lori Sanchez, Recreation Program Supervisor; Adriana Valles Morales, Admin Specialist and Secretary for ACFOA.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: Upon motion, second, and unanimous vote, the January 9th minutes were approved. Upon motion, second, and unanimous vote, the Scope of Work minutes were approved.

SPEAKER: No speaker.

BUDGET REPORT: No changes to the current budget.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Aurora Center for Active Adults – Ronald Roulhac, Facility Program Supervisor ACAA

- Valentine's Day Social on Tuesday, February 14th from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Arapahoe County Council on Aging (ACCoA) – Barbara Schneller, Commissioner



- This was a planning meeting about what topics to have. Some ideas that were mentioned are a committee on outreach, resource fairs, older adult resource letters, social connections, etc. Next meeting will be hybrid, virtual and in-person.

Aurora Health Alliance – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- Jeannie registered to attend a topical webinar on February 15th. Jarrett Hughes from the Governor’s office will be presenting.
- Next quarterly meeting is April 19th.

Ward Meetings – All Commissioners

- Jeannie attended the Ward II meeting. Most of the meeting was about the closing of two Aurora schools and the activities, responsibilities and roles of their School Resource Officers (SROs). Next meeting is April 4th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislative – Sandy Thomas, Commissioner

- Sandy would like the Commission to consider and review four bills that are important to the older adult population.
 - SB23-002: Medicaid Reimbursement for Community Health Services.
 - SB23-031: Improve Health Care Access for Older Coloradans.
 - SB23-058: Age Related Information on Job Applications.
 - SB23-064: Concerning the Office of Public Guardianship.
- Sandy also spoke about the Hospital Bill Assistance Program. This bill was passed in 2021 and went into effect in September 2022. If you don’t have insurance, the hospital is required to screen you and determine if you can get assistance. If you have insurance, you must request a screening for Public Health Insurance and Hospital Discounted Care and the hospital is required to do so at that time.
- Sandy asked for assistance in keeping track of the bills and helping with this committee.

Transportation Solutions – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- The strategic planning meeting was held on January 24th. One of the topics mentioned was regarding transportation in older adult communities. An RTD commissioner investigated the transportation eliminated at Heather Gardens. There are no immediate plans to put anything in place, but options are on the table.
- Brooke spoke about the DRCOG funds. The DRCOG report for last year showed that most of the funds are going towards 78 unique users only. Brooke asked DRCOG if there is more that can be done to reach more



qualifying older adults. One possibility is removing the DRCOG funds and working on targeted programs for our older adult population. Brooke wants to go over the report with the Commission and talk about the program that DRCOG recommended. From this, a decision would be made whether to remove the funds and try a different program or to stay with DRCOG and find different ways to let the public know about DRCOG. Brooke informed the Commissioners that Joe Sack will attend the March 6th meeting to discuss transportation alternatives to DRCOG funding.

Public Relations – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- Jeannie and Sandy attended the Sneak Peek event at the Aurora Center for Older Adults. Many people were interested in applying to the Commission.
- The Mission Viejo Library event is on February 25th from 2-4 p.m. This is an intergenerational game themed “Generational Split.” Juanita asked Commissioners to distribute flyers and for Commissioners to volunteer for staffing this event.
- Bringing Older Adults Together (BOAT) is a program created to help older adults socialize with others. It is held every Monday at 10:30 a.m. at Mission Viejo Library.
- Sandy suggested that the library events be held at different locations. Juanita agreed and mentioned considering having the next event at a different library.

Intergenerational Support – Juanita Audre, Commissioner

- Juanita contacted the Girl Scouts, and they are very excited about working this committee. Juanita is waiting to hear back from them again.
- Juanita let Commissioners know if there is an idea that they would like to present, please do so.
- Jeannie spoke of an international organization with a program called Human Libraries. People tell their stories, whether personal or not. There are many older adults with interesting backgrounds and stories from their past that can be part of a “talking book” concept.

Fraud and Abuse Prevention Committee - George Bain, Commissioner

- The committee is waiting to hear back on the status of printing the rack card.
- Barbara mentioned Officer James Seneca will be speaking at Heather Gardens about elder fraud and abuse.

OLD BUSINESS:

Final Scope of Work: Review and Approval – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner



- Jeannie asked Commissioners if there are any additional comments and/or questions regarding this document.
- Upon motion, second, and unanimous vote, the final Scope of Work (SOW), was approved.
- With the approval of the SOW, Rian and Michelle will follow the city purchasing guidelines and create the document in the format required by the city. The process begins immediately and will be in the Purchasing Department by the beginning of March. The solicitation of bids and contractors is expected to last 6-9 weeks. This timeline includes waiting periods, response times and time for firms to create an in-depth proposal. Once bids are received, a review committee consisting of Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) staff, the PROS director, Brooke Bell, Deputy City Manager, Laura Perry, and a representative from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Department will go over the proposals and choose a final recipient based on a scorecard that Rian and Michelle will create. The cap limit for this project is \$150,000. Once a contract is formalized, the Commission will be notified of when the project will officially begin.

ACFOA Vacancy – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- There is one applicant for the Commission. Guests were notified on how to apply, if interested.

ACFOA Rack Card Spanish Translation – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- No update.

ACFOA Promotional Giveaways – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- There is a magnet with a pen holder that Jeannie and Frankiemae is proposing the commission purchase. A sample on paper was passed around so the Commissioners can see what the three options are. This idea will be submitted to Ron. The vendor Jeannie spoke to said they will include the Commission name and phone number imprint free of cost for the option of the magnet with a pen.

Visit Aurora Resource List – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- The Commissioners were asked who was willing to help create a resource list to send to Visit Aurora. The resource list is composed of organizations that host conventions and/or conferences geared toward the older adult population.

NEW BUSINESS:

Speaker Calendar Update – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- March 6th – Annalee Kruger
- May 8th – Audrey Krebs
- August 7th – Shirley Proppe



- September 11th – Jean Bogar

Older Adult Month – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- The renewal of the Proclamation of Older Adults Month is something that needs to be made each year. It is not done automatically. The Commission will begin the process for this proclamation.
- Jeannie asked the Commission what activities can be done as a Commission to celebrate Older Adult Month in May. A couple of suggestions were made, and Jeannie asked that activities be sent to her if any more are thought of. The 2023 theme for National Older Americans month is Aging Unbound.

New Business – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- Jeannie met a potential speaker online. Jeannie asked the Commission if they are interested in hearing a presentation on the topic of probate planning in the future. There was a positive vote to have this topic included on their speaker list.

NEXT MEETING

Date: March 6, 2023

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Aurora Center for Active Adults and virtually through WebEx.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion, a second, and consensus of the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:41 PM.

Jeannie Davis, Chairperson
Aurora Commission for Older Adults

Jeannie Davis

Date 12-4-23

Adriana Valles Morales,
Administrative Specialist and Secretary

Adriana P.

Date 12/4/23

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