



SENIOR AFFAIRS COMMISSION (SAC) MONTHLY MEETING

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Feliz Jarvis, Vice Chair, Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) PRESIDING

PRESENT: [12]

*Carmen Arana, District 1/Commissioner	*Lisa Kelly, District 9/Commissioner
*Verna Mitchell, District 3/Commissioner**	VACANT, District 10/Commissioner
Phyllis Lee, District 4/Commissioner	Renee L. Karp, District 11/Commissioner**
Feliz Jarvis, District 5/Commissioner	VACANT, District 12/Commissioner
*Marilyn Daniels, District 6/Commissioner	*J. Peter Kline, District 13/Commissioner
Marian A. Williams, District 7/Commissioner	Karen Roberts, District 14/Commissioner
*Debbie Austin, District 8/Commissioner	Mike Nurre, District 15/Commissioner

ABSENT: [1]

Portia Cantrell, District 2/Commissioner	
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**Note: Members of the Senior Affairs Commission participated in this meeting by video conference.*

***Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened*

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. with a quorum of ten of the Senior Affairs Commission members present. The meeting agenda, posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS", of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

The Senior Affairs Commission provided "public speaker" opportunities. There were no public speakers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (June 26, 2023)

The June 2023 Senior Affairs Commission meeting minutes: Commissioner Karen Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mike Nurre and unanimously approved.

VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

SAC Vice Chair, Feliz Jarvis reminded the Commissioners of the Texas Open Meetings Act or TOMA requirements for videoconference meetings. A calendar of due dates for various reports and deadlines for Commissioners will be shared by the Director of the Office of Community Care.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

Racial Equity Plan

Dr. Lindsey Wilson, Director, Office of Equity and Inclusion presented an overview of the City of Dallas Racial Equity Plan (REP), purpose and vision, inclusive community engagement efforts, big audacious goals, department progress measures, communication, transparency, and accountability. The RAP is a strategic framework to support the City in understanding and addressing the disparities across Dallas. The Office of Equity and Inclusion is working with the data analytics and business intelligence department to highlight the progress of the REP.

Overview of City Budget Timeline & Senior Budget Inclusions

Jessica Galleshaw, Director, Office of Community Care provided an overview of the City budget including seniors-focused programs at City of Dallas, proposed budget inclusions for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024, areas of interest (FY 2024), and budget process timeline.

Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization Department Program Budget Update

Thor Erickson, Assistant Director, Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Department introduced Kenesha Greer, Interim Area Redevelopment Manager and provided an update on the housing program budget. The Housing Department received 726 applications for the Senior Home Repair Program. Ten seniors were served with the first \$100,000. The number of applications received highlights the fact that the need for home repair in the senior community is substantial. Proposed changes to the Senior Home Repair Program will be presented to Dallas City Council for consideration in October of 2023.

Senior Services Program & Contracts

James Ramirez, Caseworker II, Office of Community Care / Senior Services provided an overview of outreach activities in months of June, July, and August 2023. The Commissioners were provided with a copy of the City of Dallas Senior Services Program Monthly Update.

In June 2023, Senior Services received 277 unduplicated calls for information and referrals and 673 total number of communications.

In July 2023, Senior Services received 221 unduplicated calls for information and referrals, 681 total number of communications; 1340 unduplicated clients; and participated in 51 outreach events in July 2023 YTD. The highest number of calls received in June 2023 were for financial assistance (87), home repair (72), and housing (34). Highest number of calls received in July 2023 were for financial assistance (115), home repair (101), and housing (69). Data on the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Rides Rider Assistance Program (RAP), U&I Senior Employment Services, Texas A&M Clinical Dental Program, and the Senior Ombudsman Program was presented for 2023 YTD.

DISTRICT UPDATES

Senior Affairs Commissioners District Reports

Commissioners Carmen Arana (District 1), Debbie Austin (District 8), Lisa Kelly (District 9), Phyllis Lee (District 4), Renee Karp (District 11), and Karen Roberts (District 14) shared district updates.

ADJOURNMENT

After all the business of the Senior Affairs Commission had been considered, Commissioner Nurre made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Karp and unanimously accepted. The Senior Affairs Commission meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

M. Lynn Jenkinson

9/7/23

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Caseworker II

Office of Community Care / Senior Services

Feliz Jarvis
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Approved by:

Date

Feliz Jarvis, Vice Chair

Senior Affairs Commission

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