

# SENIOR AFFAIRS COMMISSION (SAC) MONTHLY MEETING REGULAR HYBRID MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023

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# Peter Kline, Chair, Senior Affairs Commission (SAC) PRESIDING

# PRESENT: [12]

*Carmen Arana, District 1/Commissioner	*Lisa Kelly, District 9/Commissioner	
*Portia Cantrell, District 2/Commissioner	*Jeri Baker, District 10/Commissioner	
Phyllis Lee, District 4/Commissioner	Renee L. Karp, District 11/Commissioner	
Feliz Jarvis, District 5/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: [3]

Verna Mitchell, District 3/Commissioner	Beth Mond, District 12/Commissioner
Marilyn Daniels, District 6/Commissioner	

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Members of the Senior Affairs Commission participated in this meeting by video conference.

The meeting was called to order at 12:08 p.m. with a quorum of twelve 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** (March 20, 2023)

The March 2023 Senior Affairs Commission meeting minutes: Commissioner Karen Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Feliz Jarvis and the minutes were approved.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened

#### **SAC REPORTS**

# **Chair's Report**

SAC Chair, Peter Kline reminded the Commissioners of the Texas Open Meetings Act or TOMA requirements for videoconference meetings, provided an update on the Senior Data Project, and asked the Commissioners to encourage seniors to vote and to register in advance for the Senior Hunger Summit on May 4, 2023.

# **Senior Affairs Commissioners District Updates**

Commissioners Renee Karp (District 11), Phyllis Lee (District 4), Karen Roberts (District 14), Feliz Jarvis (District 5), Marian Williams (District 7), and Debbie Austin (District 8) shared district news and activities.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Society of St. Vincent de Paul of North Texas Program Services

Luis Gonzalez, Chief Executive Officer, Society of St. Vincent de Paul North Texas, presented a PowerPoint on the mission, history, statistics, and programs provided by the 38 active conferences in North Texas driven by the needs of the local community. Their charitable pharmacy provides walkin service and free medications to qualified residents of Texas who are uninsured and delivers medications directly to the patient or clinic. Since October 2022, 75 senior patients have been served by the pharmacy in the City of Dallas. Legal status has no bearing on services provided.

# **Humana Senior-Related Services**

David Gonzales, Vice President, Corporate Affairs for Humana, provided an overview of Humana's lines of business in Texas and presented a PowerPoint on CenterWell Senior Primary Care and network of ten senior-focused primary care clinics throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Focus of CenterWell is on the whole person, a holistic approach to wellness: physical, social, emotional, and behavioral health care, and well-being of seniors.

Sue Lam, Market Vice President DFW, CenterWell Senior Primary Care, explained CenterWell's integrated care model, patient-centered approach to primary care for seniors. Focus is on providing access to care for seniors in underserved communities in a senior- focused, primary care setting including an activity center for seniors in each location.

Fredia Simmons-Brown, Center Administrator, CenterWell Senior Primary Care Clinic at Redbird, said that 85 seniors attended the senior prom held on April 15, 2023 at Kiest Park Recreation Center.

#### No Reports of Subcommittees

#### STAFF REPORTS

# **Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization Department Program Update**

Reese Collins, Area Redevelopment Manager, City of Dallas Department of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization, provided an update on the Senior Home Repair Program (SHRP) and number of applications received by seniors in each district. Goal is to utilize a lottery system to select program participants and to spend over one million dollars allocated to the SHRP.

# **Senior Services Program & Contracts**

Ana Camacho, Supervisor, provided an update on the Office of Community Care/Senior Services Program and contracts including summary of calls and outreach events, and an update on contract partners/seniors served for the month of March and April 2023.

In March 2023, Senior Services received 184 unduplicated calls for information and referrals, served 869 unduplicated clients and participated in 38 outreach events in March, YTD 2023. The highest number of calls received in March 2023 were for financial assistance (115), home repair (79), and housing (60). 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 March 2023 and seniors served by council district.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

After all the business of the Senior Affairs Commission had been considered, Commissioner Debbie Austin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jarvis and unanimously accepted. The Senior Affairs Commission meeting was adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

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J. Peter Kline, Chair

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