Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2018

Members Present

☐ Mayor David Baker ☒ Florence Klein ☐ Cindy Snyder
☒ Jenny Becker ☒ Larry Low ☐ Lorna Stone
☒ Ava Frisinger ☐ Kathe Matrone ☒ Diana Thompson
☒ Zelda Foxall ☒ Mac McIntosh ☒ Sue Weston
☐ Molly Holmes ☒ June Michel ☐ Dick Woo
☐ CM Debora Juarez ☐ Tom Minty ☒ Andrea Sawczuk

Others present:
• Guests: Cynthia Winters, MCAAE; Jon Rudicil
• AAA Staff: Allison Boll, Brent Butler, Jason Johnson, Andrea LaFazia-Geraghty, Andrea Yip, Maria Langlais, Lori Sanford, Irene Stewart, Myles Brooks, Mary Pat O’Leary, Sarah Damas, Karen Winston

The meeting was held at the SHAG Tukwila Village, a new mixed-use senior housing development which opened in May 2018. For more information, visit: www.housing4seniors.com-communities/south-puget-sound/tukwila/Tukwila-Village

I. Welcome and Introductions: Ava Frisinger

II. Business Meeting

A. Minutes: Approved as written.

B. Partner Updates

City of Seattle
• Jason Johnson, HSD Interim Director, reported that he attended a Hunger Hackathon which will develop tools to support the movement to end hunger. The City is working to develop hunger strategies which will be supported by revenue from the Sweetened Beverage Tax.
• HSD will recognize Domestic Violence Month during October. Several events are planned to bring awareness to the issue and will include elder abuse and gender violence.
• Mayor Durkan will be releasing her 2019 budget priorities on September 24, at Fire House #10.

King County
• Coordination of the Veterans, Seniors & Human Services Levy allocations continues. The county will also be hiring a manager to oversee the levy funds.

C. Committee Reports

• Planning and Allocations Committee (Dick Woo)
The P&A committee met September 10. Dick presented the updated 2019 discretionary budget which included a $865,162 increase in state and federal funding. P&A proposed the additional funds be allocated as follows:
  o Congregate nutrition - $470,381
  o Home Delivered meals - $189,429
  o Nutrition transportation - $50,000
  o Volunteer transportation - $50,000
  o Discretionary case management - $6,681
  o Health Promotion - $29,407
  o Information and Assistance - $69,264

Members unanimously approved the budget for public review. A public hearing will be included in the next committee meeting scheduled for Monday, October 1. Following the public hearing, the committee will report back to the AC and ask for final approval.

Lastly, the Committee continues to work on updating Advisory Council job descriptions. A draft will be presented for review at the November meeting.

• Advocacy Committee – (No report)

• State Council on Aging (SCOA) – (Ava Frisinger)
At the last SCOA meeting, members discussed housing, health, financial planning and transportation. The SCOA will also be supporting the WA. State Alzheimer’s Plan legislative requests of $4.5 million.

• NW Universal Design / Age Friendly Seattle (No report)

• Mayor’s Council on African American Elders (Cynthia Winters)
MCAAE members continue to work on the draft report of advocacy priorities to present to Mayor Durkan. The next MCAAE meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 21 at 2 p.m., at the Southeast Seattle Senior Center.

- **Director’s Report** (Cathy Knight)
  - Cathy and Jason presented to Seattle City Council on the recent Senior Center investments awards. See the [video of the presentation](#) for more information.
  - Agendas and signup sheets for the October 10 Statewide Advisory Council and October 11 Senior Lobby Conference were circulated.
  - W4A has finalized their legislative agenda which will focus on support for Case Management and the Long-Term Care Trust Act. They had considered a funding request for dementia services but agreed to support the Alzheimer’s Association’s agenda which has a similar ask.
  - There is concern about the next Census in 2020. Cathy is working with n4a on advocacy messaging and strategies. More to come.
  - Cathy is also coordinating with other HSD divisions on homelessness, including the Navigation Center.
  - Age Friendly Seattle – The next meeting will be at the Pike Place Market and will include a walking audit. We will learn about programs and services offered for older adults and others in this historic space, followed by a brief coalition meeting. Then everyone will explore and navigate around the Market, documenting observations on accessibility and age-friendliness of the Market using a smartphone app.

- **Others Reports**
  - Ava reported that she and Diana Thompson attended the Senior Matters Conference on September 7 & 8. The conference focused on planning and coordination for long-term care (housing, legal matters and healthcare) and was very well attended.
  - The Bellevue Network on Aging met with Patty Murray’s legislative assistant to advocate for “Scrap the Cap” – a strategy to ensure that Social Security remains viable. Currently, Social Security tax is not levied on earned income above $117,000.

The next Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 9, in the Seattle Municipal Tower, Room 4050.