

## SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION

### Minutes

### Special Meeting

February 22, 2011

The Senior Services Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Rowe at 9:08 a.m. in the Wilson Senior Center's Library. It was moved from the Arts & Crafts Room due to a heating problem. A note was placed on the Arts & Crafts Room door to inform any members of the public of the meeting relocation.

#### A. ROLL CALL/POSTING OF AGENDA

Commissioners present                    P. Davis, A. Esparza, R. Fischer, N. Kobashigawa, N. Rowe, D. Thibeault, and L. Villareal Yu

Commissioners absent:

Staff present:                                Stephen Fischer, Assistant City Attorney  
Marisue Eastlake, RSVP Director  
Caroline Gambala, Office Manager

#### B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

#### C. COMMISSION BUSINESS

Comm. Thibeault reported on a meeting he had with Assistant City Manager Karen Burnham. He distributed a list of 2011 goals which he shared with her and reported on the actions discussed. They will meet again in about one month to followup.

Victoria Jump, Ventura County Area Agency on Aging director, reviewed senior services in light of upcoming budget cuts, including state and federal proposals. Among the challenges she mentioned was the possibility that if adult day health care centers are cut a greater number of frail seniors, who may not be able to care for themselves, will start attending senior centers. Another challenge will be simultaneously meeting the needs of both the active 60-year olds and the quieter 90-year old participants. Many senior centers are moving into a health and wellness focus that might appeal to a larger age range and potentially bring in more money. Two Ventura County communities are discussing building new senior centers: Camarillo and Newbury Park.

No actions were taken.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Comm. Fisher, seconded by Comm. Kobashigawa to adjourn.  
Approved. Meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.