

DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITY AND AGING SERVICES COMMISSION (DAS)
MINUTES NOVEMBER 6, 2019

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Gustavo Serifa
called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

The (DAAS) Commission Secretary called the roll.

Present: Gustavo Serifa, Katie Loo, Steve Arcelona, Martha Knutzen and Janet Y. Spears

Absent: Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

DAAS Executive Director Shireen McSpadden was present.

A motion to approve the November 6, 2019 Commission meeting agenda.

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

A motion to approve the October 2, 2019 Commission meeting minutes

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

Director's Report/Executive Director Shireen McSpadden

At the federal level, Executive Director McSpadden reported that last week the Dignity and Aging Act was passed by a unanimous voice vote in the House of Representatives. The bill will reauthorize the Older Americans Act through 2024. The Federal Older Americans Act which expired in September 2019, provides vital home and community based services to more than eleven million older adults and caregivers each year. The House of Representatives extended the bill for five-years which is two-years longer than the prior reauthorization act and provided notable increases in authorized funding, a seven percent increase the first year, with a six percent increase each year after totaling a thirty-five percent increase over five-years. The bill will now move to the Senate which Ms. McSpadden said, has been markedly less friendly to this act and recognized that we might not see these specific increases. The good news is, the bill does have bipartisan support. Ms. McSpadden promised to keep the Commission updated. At the state level, Ms. McSpadden reported that the Master Plan for Aging is on a fast track and needs to be completed by October 2020 and back on the governor's desk for his approval. Ms. McSpadden mentioned that there is no specific guidelines for budget proposals with the Master Plan for Aging and that this is more of a framework on how the state should move forward over the next ten years with respect to aging. The Master Plan for Aging is a plan for Californians who will turn sixty or sixty-five in ten years as well as people who are already there. Ms.

McSpadden stated that San Francisco is participating through the Master Plan for Aging's Advisory Committee which is an overall masterplan leadership committee that works with the state and two subcommittees. One of the those committees, The Research Subcommittee (which Ms. McSpadden is a member of) grapples with questions like access barriers with nutrition services and should we create a roadmap and do we use the Age and Disability Friendly domains that we use in San Francisco like nutrition and transportation and domains that the public can understand. The Long Term Supports and Services Subcommittee thinks about what the various pieces of long term supports and services should go into the plan. Ms. McSpadden was invited by California Food Policy Advocates (CFPA) to come to Sacramento and take part in a small meeting of state and local partners who administer nutrition programs for older adults and to start an exploratory discussion on how coming together might help with collective impact and what recommendations can we put forward to the state with respect to nutrition programs and waitlists. Ms. McSpadden said that the plan should start shaping up in the next few months and we will be able to get a better idea of what direction to take. Locally, Ms. McSpadden was happy to announce that Proposition B passed overwhelmingly yesterday which means that the department name will change to The Department of Disability and Aging Services (DAS). In addition to the name change, the makeup of the Commission will change to include people with disabilities and veterans. Ms. McSpadden said that the name change does not happen overnight and that DAS is currently working with the City Attorney's Office to see what the next steps are to ensure that the name change transition is smooth. Ms. McSpadden will be sending information out over the next few days to show what the public campaign around the name change will look like. At the same time, the Department of Human Services (HSA) Agency very close to launching their rebrand. Ms. McSpadden added that the HSA rebrand and the DAS name change happening both together is great timing and will work well together.

Ms. McSpadden and DAS staff Rose Johns presented a Reframing Aging Campaign slide show presentation.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT/ President Diane Lawrence/Report submitted

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Advisory Council met on Wednesday, October 16, 2019

- Josh Halstead was welcomed as an official member of the Council.
- Dignity Fund Oversight Committee Update/Elinore Lurie
 - The Oversight Committee's next meeting is in January.
- LGBT Updates/Marcy Adelman
 - No report
- Site Visits
 - We had one site visit report for the Sunset Senior Center on 5th and Irving.
 - The Council agreed to focus on those sites that have not been visited in 2017, 2018 and 2019.

- We reviewed a list of sites that had not been visited and assigned about 10 sites for visiting in the next few months.
- We will continue to review the updated master list to make sure all sites are being visited.
- Goal Setting for 2020:
 - We began discussing our priorities for 2020.
 - Under consideration:
 - Master Plan Priorities
 - Creating a system that is accessible, navigable and cross-sector
 - Expanding access to affordable home care and support services
 - Affordable housing and transportation
 - Support to family caregivers
 - Financial planning for long-term care
 - Housing
 - Transportation
 - Working smarter discussion for meetings.
 - We began planning out topics for the next 2 meetings.
- California Senior Legislature:
 - The CSL will meet October 31-November 2 to set their 2020 priorities.
 - Our representatives will share those with us as soon as they are published.
- Miscellaneous:
 - We will begin our November meeting at 9:30 again.
 - Topics will include
 - Age and Disability Friendly Report Recommendations
 - Area Plan on Aging Update, Part 2
 - Pedestrian Safety Ad Hoc Committee update
 - One site visit report.

Next TACC Meeting: December 3rd and 4th.

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (LTCCC) REPORT/Sandy Mori

Ms. Mori reported that the LTCCC held their last meeting in October. This meeting provided an update with the Dignity Fund and its \$3M funding increase. Ms. Mori said that the additional \$3M funding is designated for specific service areas including, Case Management, community connection and engagement and programming for Transgender seniors. Ms. Mori mentioned how important it is that Executive Director Shireen McSpadden is consistently visible around the Master Plan for California and the Advisory Council and the structure of its committees. Ms. Mori stated that the Governor has made aging a priority and is very serious about the California Master Plan on Aging. During the October meeting the LTCCC also heard a presentation from the Palliative Care work group. Finally, Ms. Mori congratulated the Commission for the name-change and said that the department will now be truly represented.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden and the DAAS Commission recognized Lauren McCasland from the DAS Office of Community Partnerships (OCP). Ms. McSpadden thanked Ms. McCasland for her hard work and dedication.

CASE REPORT/Greg Moore

Mr. Moore mentioned the highlight of this month’s CASE report is the success of our 1st Getting There Together (GTT) event on Sunday, September 8. This event will include forty exhibitors, an outstanding array of performances featuring the talents of senior and adults with disabilities, an incredibly vibrant and active outdoor gymnasium with a multitude of classes and activities throughout the day, and of course the many attendees. It was a great success. State Senator Scott Wiener, Supervisors Norman Yee and Gordon Mar, and Executive Director Shireen McSpadden spoke of the importance of support for seniors and people with disabilities. Nancy McPherson, State Director of AARP California, traveled from Los Angeles to give support to GTT. The September CASE Membership meeting included Director Mike Zaugg from Office on Aging with some updates and to introduce Kate Shadoan from The DAS Hub. CASE also had an outstanding presentation “Creativity in Action: Mixing 20th & 21st Century Generations” by Phaedra Bell, UCSF Memory and Aging Center, Leisha Ishikawa, Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly, and Taryn Patterson – Sequoia Living. Also discussed at the CASE meeting was the development of their 2020-21 Budget Advocacy platform with further discussion and explanation of the survey which included areas such as:

- 1) Transportation
- 2) Isolated LGBT
- 3) Trainings
- 4) Outreach for New Clients
- 5) ADRC – Wage Equity
- 6) Behavioral Health for Seniors & Isolated Seniors
- 7) Dementia

Finally, a follow-up on efforts to more clearly define future leadership of the Dignity Fund Service Provider Work Group (SPWG): both the CASE and the Dignity Fund Coalition memberships have agreed for their respective organization to collaborate in leading the SPWG.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

DAS staff, Valerie Coleman presented on the Age and Disability Friendly San Francisco effort.

- A. Requesting authorization to enter into a contract with Resource Development Associates for the provision of Consulting Services for Case Management Systems Assessment; during the period of December 16, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in the amount of \$124,679 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$137,147. Melissa McGee presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- B.** Requesting authorization to modify the grant agreement with On Lok Day Services for the provision of the Health Promotion-Physical Fitness and Fall Prevention Program for older adults and adults with disabilities during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in the additional amount of \$117,146 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$996,460. Lauren McCasland presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- C.** Requesting authorization to modify the grant agreement with On Lok Day Services for the provision of the Health Promotion-Self-Management of Chronic Health Conditions for older adults and adults with disabilities during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in the additional amount of \$130,916 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$585,777. Lauren McCasland presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- D.** Requesting authorization to modify the grant agreement with Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus for the provision of the legal services for older adults during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in the additional amount of \$21,231 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$234,535. Reanna Albert presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- E.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with NEXT Village San Francisco for the provision of the Village Model; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in an additional amount of \$100,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$405,186. Michael Zaugg presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- F.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Felton Institute for the provision of Community Services; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in an additional amount of \$50,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$307,045. Reanna Albert presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- G.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with Q Foundation dba AIDS Housing Alliance/SF for the provision of Limited Term Housing Subsidies for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities during the period of November 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$1,000,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$1,100,000. Rick Appleby presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- H.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with Self-Help for the Elderly for the provision of Limited Term Housing Subsidies for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities during the period of November 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$1,000,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$1,100,000. Rick Appleby presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- I.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with YMCA of San Francisco for the provision of Community Services; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in an additional amount of \$50,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$166,375. Paulo Salta presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- J.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Curry Senior Center for the provision of Community Services for older adults and adults with disabilities; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; for an additional amount of \$33,406 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$587,391. Rick Appleby presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- K.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Sequoia Living for the provision of Community Services for older adults and adults with disabilities; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; for an additional amount of \$103,405 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$1,435,639. Paulo Salta presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- L.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Golden Gate Senior Services for the provision of Community Services for older adults and adults with disabilities; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; for an additional amount of \$30,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$1,146,653. Rick Appleby presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

- M.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Legal Assistance to the Elderly, Inc. for the provision Legal Services for Older Adults; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; for an additional amount of \$90,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$750,611. Reanna Albert presented the item.

Absent Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements

MOTION TO ADJOURN,

The motion was unanimously approved

Meeting adjourned 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Badasow
Commission Secretary