

DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES COMMISSION (DAAS)
MINUTES OCTOBER 2, 2019

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

The (DAAS) Commission Secretary called the roll.

Present: Gustavo Seriña, Katie Loo, Martha Knutzen, Michael Pappas, Janet Y. Spears and Tedi Vriheas

DAAS Executive Director Shireen McSpadden was present.

A motion to approve the October 2, 2019 Commission meeting agenda.

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Commissioner Steve Arcelona

A motion to approve the August 7, 2019 Commission meeting minutes

The motion was unanimously approved

Absent Commissioner Steve Arcelona

Director's Report/Executive Director Shireen McSpadden

At the federal level, Executive Director McSpadden confirmed that Congress passed a short-term continuation of the Older Americans Act that was due to sunset on September 30, 2019. This will keep the Older Americans Act going until Thursday, November 21, with the hopes that the appropriation differences that Congress has will be worked out. Ms. McSpadden stated that the House side is proposing funding increases but the Senate side was much less impressive. At the state level, the State has gone full force in regards to the California Master Plan on Aging. The Master Plan on Aging taskforce held their first meeting on September 17. Ms. McSpadden mentioned that there will be many occasions to become involved including a number of subcommittees that will be meeting to cover different areas of the Master Plan on Aging. Executive Director. McSpadden was happy to announce that the Master Plan on Aging panel event that the Dignity Fund Coalition & Long Term Care Coordinating Council (LTCCC) organized had a fantastic turnout with a very interesting audience from the San Francisco Health Department, UCSF and many different foundations and sectors. The whole point of the Master Plan on Aging panel is to build awareness with San Franciscans about the upcoming Master Plan on Aging and the opportunities to have input. Ms. McSpadden said that she and Marie Jobling from the Community Living Campaign co-authored an op-ed that was posted in the Examiner over the weekend. Next, Ms. McSpadden was pleased to introduce the new DAAS Benefits and Resource HUB Director, Kate Shandon. Lastly, Ms. McSpadden mentioned that on

October 14, DAAS, the Community Living Campaign and the Metta Fund will launch Reframing Aging San Francisco. Ms. McSpadden wanted to specifically thank Marie Jobling, Kate Kuckro, from the Community Living Campaign and also our Metta Fund associates for being such great partners and Rose Johns, Joe Molica and Chandra Johnson from the Human Services Agency for all their hard work. It took a huge amount of effort on everyone's part to pull this off. Beginning October 14, we should start to notice throughout San Francisco wallscapes, light poles, bus tails and a Caltrans sign bridge related to Reframing Aging. In addition to the outward facing physical aspect of the Reframing Aging launch, we will also have a robust social media campaign.

Commissioner Steve Arcelona present.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden and the DAAS Commission recognized Ashley Ries a social worker from DAAS's In-Home Supportive Services Office. Ms. McSpadden thanked Ms. Ries for her wonderful work and dedication.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT/ President Diane Lawrence

The Advisory Council met on Wednesday, September 19, 2019

- All appointed members were present. Josh Halstead attended again as a guest
 - A report on the Department's 2019-2020 Action Plan was presented by Rose Johns.
 - Ms. Johns focused on key deliverable under each goal.
 - It was like the report to the Commission at the September meeting.
 - This will help the Council in collaborating on goal setting for the 2012-2024 Area Plan on Aging. We will discuss aligning the goals at our October meeting.
 - The Joint Legislative Committee recommended that the Council send a letter urging Governor Newsom to sign CSL Sponsored bill, AB 970—California Department of Aging, grants: transportation. The Council approved sending a letter of support.
- Assisted Living Report/Allegra Fortunati
 - Supervisor Yee was concerned about the number of closures of Assisted Living Facilities
 - The report chronicles the closures of these facilities generally with a focus on the smaller board and cares that house low-income individuals.
 - And makes 8 recommendations to maintain the existing number of these facilities and encourage building other facilities.
 1. Support Business Acumen Skills in order to reduce costs and potentially create economies of scale.
 2. Workforce Pipeline which reduces the need to train new workers and get time-limited subsidies for workers participating in such programs as Jobs NOW!

3. Increase the rate for city-funded subsidies.
 4. Increase the number of city-funded subsidies
 5. Develop new models for meeting needs, such as Co-locating enhanced services with affordable housing.
 6. Make space available for ALF operation at low cost, utilizing unused city property or property that has been taken through property tax seizures or providing access to probate buildings.
 7. Increase the use of existing waivers by helping operators to apply and certified to accept residents under this program. Currently there are only 5 ALFs who have completed the state certification process.
 8. Support AB50 which would greatly increase the available number of waivers statewide.
- Dignity Fund Oversight Committee Update/Elinore Lurie
 - An update on the year end budget was discussed.
 - The targets were achieved.
 - Things are going well but the LGBTQ population is still underserved. A transgender engagement was conducted and 2 public forums were held.
 - LGBT Updates/Marcy Adelman
 - There may be a delay in the opening of 75-95 Laguna, an LBGT-centered senior housing site.
 - Data collection at various city departments beyond DAAS on data collection is not being pushed.
 - Dr. Adelman and Supervisor Mandelman are discussing community service data needs.
 - There was a brainstorming session in June and work is being done with the Mayor's Office of Transgender Initiatives.
 - The same problem occurs at the State level.
 - Site Visits
 - We ran out of time for site visit reports so we are starting our meeting earlier in October to cover the reports.
 - There are reports pending
 - Other reports/Announcements
 - 9/16—SCAN Foundation Forum on Master Plan Together. Their work on “We Stand with Seniors” Experts on aging are engaged and the work they do will be an appendix in the Master Plan.

- 9/17—First meeting on the Master Plan for Aging.
 - Master Plan Priorities
 1. Creating a system that is accessible, navigable and cross-sector
 2. Expanding access to affordable home care and support services
 3. Affordable housing and transportation
 4. Support to family caregivers
 5. Financial planning for long-term care
- 9/19—California Association of Disability Advocates—meeting on the Master Plan
- 9/20—Master Plan for Aging and What It Means for you
- 9/26—The Community Living Campaign Annual Award Event, “Aging Your Way” flyer was shared.
- 9/27--A DAAS Community Training on “Addressing Aging & Homelessness in San Francisco” will be held on Friday, September 27, 2019 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm at San Francisco State.
- Ms. Graf also announced that her Senior Power meetings will be bilingual, English/Cantonese and presented a flyer that she is distributing to local merchants, asking whether they would consider hiring a senior.

JOINT LEGISLATIVE REPORT: The following bills changed since August based on an updated status as of September 13, 2019 (the last day for the Legislature to pass bills).

- **Update:**
 - Many bills have been sent to Engrossing and Enrolling. These are awaiting the Governor’s signature or veto. Governor Newsom has until October 13, 2019.
 - Bills are beginning to emerge as two year bills.
 - September 13, 2019 was the last day to pass bills this year.
 - A bill calling for a study or pilot is often not approved the first time out.

Bills Signed and Chaptered:

- AB 68 Ting: Land use: Accessory dwelling units.
- AB 426 Maienschein: In-Home Supportive Services program: medical certification. program.
- AB 453 Chau: Emergency medical services: training.
- AB 477 Cervantes: Emergency preparedness: vulnerable populations.
- AB 567 Calderon: Long-term care insurance.
- AB 612 Weber: CalFresh: Restaurant Meals Program. CalFresh: Restaurant Meals Program.
- AB 737 Eggman: Residential care facilities for the elderly: licensing and regulation.

- AB 911 Rodriguez: Office of Emergency Services: 911 Emergency Communication System.
- AB 1118 Rubio: Land use: general plan: livability issues for older adults.
- AB 1128 Petrie-Norris: Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).
- AB 1209 Nazarian: Long-term care benefits.
- AB 1287 Nazarian: Universal assessments: No Wrong Door system. (Got watered down a bit)
- SB 40 Wiener: Conservatorship: serious mental illness and substance use disorders.
- SB 228 Jackson: Master Plan on Aging.
- SB 280 Jackson: Older adults and persons with disabilities: fall prevention. (Watered down—guttled Triple A collaboration)
- SB 303 Wieckowski: Guardians and conservators: compensation: residence of conservatee.
- SB 309 Rubio: Personal income tax: California Senior Citizen Advocacy Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund. *This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.*
- SB 314 Dodd: Elders and dependent adults: abandonment. .
- SB 338 Hueso: Elder and dependent adult abuse: law enforcement policies.
- SB 453 Hurtado: Older adults.

Vetoed: (a more detailed report will be presented with the veto messages)

- AB 506 Kalra: Long-term health facilities.
- AB 550 Flora and Berman: Veterans: Medical Foster Home Pilot Program.
- AB 970 Salas: California Department of Aging: grants: transportation.
- AB 1382 Aguiar-Curry: Master Plan for Aging.
- SB 127 Wiener: Transportation funding: active transportation: complete streets.
- SB 611 Caballero: Housing: elderly and individuals with disabilities.

Held Under Submission—these bills may or may not have movement in 2020:

- AB50-Kalra: Medi-Cal Assisted Living Waiver Program.
- AB 387 Gabriel: Task force: adverse drug events: prescriptions.
- AB 388 Limon: Alzheimer’s Disease. Alzheimer’s Disease. This may be held due to Task Force.
- AB 447 Patterson: Care facilities: criminal record clearances.
- AB 1137 Nazarian: The California Department of Aging.
- AB 1766 Bloom: Licensed adult residential facilities and residential care facilities for the elderly: data collection: residents with a serious mental disorder.

- SB 214 Dodd: Medi-Cal: California Community Transitions program.
- SB 248 Glazer: Taxation: renters' credit.
- SB 512 Pan: Long-term services and supports.
- SB 725 Rubio: Veterans rental housing.

Bills where no action had been taken before September 13, 2019:

- AB 229 Nazarian: In-home supportive services: written content translation.
- AB 251 Patterson: Personal income taxes: credit: family caregiver.
- AB 1136 Nazarian: California Department of Community Living.
- SB 440 Pan: Cognitive Impairment Safety Net System Task Force.
- ACA 9 Voepel: Veterans Support Stabilization Account.
- AB 358- Low: Sexual assault forensic examination kits: databases.
- AB 536 Frazier: Developmental services.
- AB 568 Reyes: California Care Corps Act.
- AB 797 Gregson: Financial abuse of elder.
- AB 1170: Peace officer training: intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- SB 440 Pan: Cognitive Impairment Safety Net System Task Force.

TACC REPORT

- TACC met in September 24^a and 25^a in Sacramento.
- The Triple-A Council of California is made up of one representative from each of 33 Planning and Service Areas (PSA) in California.
 - The Older Californians Act established the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council, also known as the Triple-A Council of California or TACC. TACC represents the 33 Area Agencies on Aging Advisory Councils.
 - The mission of TACC is to promote communication and collaboration among local advisory councils, and key state partners, to
 - Educate through the exchange of information, ideas, trends, and models of service delivery,
 - Advocate on issues of concern in local/state planning processes, and
 - Strengthen the advocacy effectiveness and leadership skills of local advisory councils.
 - TACC meets four times a year and is administered by the California Commission on Aging.

- TACC is funded primarily through
 - taxpayer contributions to the California Seniors Special Fund, identified as Code 400. Persons age 65 and older may contribute through their state tax return.
 - The California Foundation on Aging also maintains a component fund for TACC; this is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization to which tax-deductible contributions may be made directly.
- The meeting began with the introduction of the new California Commission on Aging Executive Director, Karol Swartzlander.
- Reports were presented by each of the PSA representatives—these were updates or key elements from the written reports submitted by each PSA quarterly. Some key take-aways
 - PSA 5—Marin County is having a senior fair October 23, 2019 with a focus on the census.
 - PSA 7—Contra Costa has an invitation only meeting on the Master Plan with 2 members of the stakeholder group plus a SCAN Foundation representative.
 - PSA 19—Los Angeles has been focusing on purposeful aging. LA has been an AARP Age and Disability Friendly city; other cities are looking at becoming one.
 - PSA 20—San Bernardino disability/impairment must be considered in senior planning. Their site visits take a “secret shopper” approach.
 - PSA 21—Riverside is discussing senior scams and identity theft; stressing the importance of participating in the Census 2020; shared housing and unregulated residential care facilities are all on the agenda.
 - PSA 23—San Diego has a Vital Aging Conference each year. They also are focusing on ART—Alzheimer’s Response Team—sheriff deputies are trained on how to handle; this is going county-wide and
 - Concerns discussed
 - How do we make sure Census 2020 calls out persons with disabilities?
 - How are PSAs handling emergency preparedness?
 - Transportation. Discussion around Paratransit and the Code sections that apply. CA code has adopted ADA language. Federal Code is 28 CFR Part 35—language was sent to the members after our meeting.
- There were four key presentations
 1. Master Plan for Aging: Voters’ Voices by Sarah Steenhausen, Senior Policy Advisor, The SCAN Foundation
 2. Aging and Food Dignity: A Conversation on the Challenges and Opportunities for Connecting Older Californians to Food by Melissa Cannon, Policy Advocate California Food Policy Advocates

3. State Budget Impact on Area Agencies on Aging by Irene Walela, Deputy Director, California Department of Aging
4. Alzheimer's Update by Susan DeMarois, Deputy of Public Policy, Alzheimer's Association.

Next TACC Meeting: December 3 and 4.

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (LTCCC) REPORT/Kelly Dearman

Ms. Dearman reported that the LTCCC met in September and spent a long time discussing the Master Plan on Aging. The LTCCC focuses on particular policy areas that are important to people that have limitations. These areas include health, housing, nutrition, social engagement, transportation and work force. The Public Charge Rule which absent any litigation is set to go into motion on October 15. This rule expands the list of benefits that people who are not residence or citizens can receive. This rule only comes into effect at certain points of the immigration process such as applying for a green card or not applying for citizenship. Many categories of immigrants are exempt from this rule so that just the mention of this rule has a chilling effect on many people. The city is working really hard to get the message out in many languages and encouraging people to call so that people who are not affected by this rule will not stay away. In addition to this, the Palliative Care workgroup is a subgroup of the LTCCC and discussed Reimagine and its' return to San Francisco on October 24 through November 2. The Palliative Care workgroup is working with libraries and other community centers to make sure people are talking about and completed their advanced health care directives.

CASE REPORT/Greg Moore

Mr. Moore mentioned that the highlight of his report is CASE's first annual "Getting There Together" event and its big success. CASE was honored to have Senator Scott Wiener, Supervisors Norman Yee, and Gordon Mar, Executive Director McSpadden and AARP's State Director Nancy McPherson speaking at their event. CASE's September membership meeting had Director Mike Zaugg from DAAS give updates and introduce Kate Shadoan. 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 from Sequoia Living.

CASE is also continuing the process of developing their 2020-21 Budget Advocacy platform. The top items with which to move forward are:

- 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

CASE will now conduct research on each item and begin crafting the ask for each area. 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. Both memberships agreed that each organization host 2 of the 4 annual SPWG meetings. Discussions will now begin to more clearly define the process and align thinking. CASE will update the Commission as this development proceeds.

Nominating Committee Report/Katie Loo

Commissioner Katie Loo recommended to the entire Commission that Josh Halstead be nominated to represent the DAAS Commission on the Advisory Council.

A motion to nominate Josh Halstead to the DAAS Advisory Council

The motion was unanimously approved

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Curry Senior Center for the provision of Technology and Connection at Home program; during the period of January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020; for an additional amount of \$45,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$811,742. Tiffany Kearny presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- B.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Leah's Pantry for the provision of Citywide Nutrition Education and Counseling Services Program during the period of September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in the amount of \$48,858 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$347,186. Lauren Muckley presented the item

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- C. Review and approval of California Department of Aging Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – Education (SNAP-Ed) contract SP-1920-06, budget and any subsequent amendments; Approval of modification of Community Services Grant with Self-Help for the Elderly to include \$137,697 Snap-ED funding and activities. Sarah Chan presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- D. Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Community Living Campaign for the provision of a Community Services Program Pilot; during the period of September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in an additional amount of \$406,945 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$1,223,998. Tiffany Kearney presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- E. Requesting authorization to modify the grant agreements with multiple providers to apply the Cost of Doing Business (CODB) increase; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024; in the additional amount of \$3,273,832. John Tsutakawa presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- F. Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with La Raza Centro Legal Inc. for the provision of Legal Services for Older Adults during the period of October 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, in the amount of \$90,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$99,000. Michael Zaugg presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

- G.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Catholic Charities for the provision of case management services during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in the amount of \$80,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$775,180. Mike Zaugg presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

- H.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Golden Gate Senior Services for the provision of Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC); during the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020; for an additional amount of \$10,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$183,594. Sara Hofverberg presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

- I.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Institute on Aging for the provision of the Community Living Fund during the period of November 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in the amount of \$700,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$10,564,736. Fanny Lapitan presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

- J.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Felton Institute for the provision of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program; during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in an additional amount of \$200,000 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$1,407,241. Michael Zaugg presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

A) Public Comment

No Public Comment

B) A motion on whether to hold closed session.

The motion was unanimously approved.

C) Motion regarding whether to disclose the discussions during Closed Session pursuant to S.F. Administrative Code Section 67.12(a)

The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

8. A vote to approve Executive Director Shireen McSpadden's FY19/20 Performance Evaluation

The Motion was unanimously approved.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kaleda Walling, Director of the Richmond Senior Center. The Richmond Senior Center in partnership with the Richmond Senior Round Table invited Executive Director McSpadden and the DAAS Commission to their "One Hard Thing" event on Saturday, October 19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements

MOTION TO ADJOURN,

The motion was unanimously approved

Meeting adjourned 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Badasow
Commission Secretary