

DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES COMMISSION (DAAS)
MINUTES AUGUST 15, 2018

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Gustavo Serinà
called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

The (DAAS) Commission Secretary called the roll.

Present: Gustavo Serinà, Katie Loo, Michael Pappas and Jeremy Wallenberg

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden was present.

A motion to approve the August 15, 2018 Commission meeting agenda with amendments

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

A motion to approve the June 20, 2018 Commission meeting minutes

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

Executive Director's Report/Executive Director Shireen McSpadden

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden briefed the DAAS Commission on the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging's (N4A) Conference and Tradeshow that she and some of the DAAS staff attended in Chicago at the end of July. Ms. McSpadden along with DAAS staff was able to spread out and attend different workshops and bring back different information to the team. There was a great deal of concern and conversation regarding the federal budget service cuts that aging advocates have worked very hard to protect. There were conversations regarding the Older Americans Act (OAA) reauthorization and what the strategy around that should be with respect to getting the act reauthorized. The OAA was reauthorized a few years ago but is once again up for reauthorization. N4A is trying to figure out strategically what the best approach would be. Ms. McSpadden stated that she will be

asking the DAAS Commission and Advisory Council to really weigh-in and support programs related to the OAA this next year. Ms. McSpadden reminded the Commission that we are fortunate to have really great programs, support, funding and strong community advocates for older adults and adults with disabilities here in the San Francisco aging community compared to many other cities and counties across the nation. The California Association of Area Agencies on Aging (C4A) is having its annual board retreat in September. The focus this year is behavior health, housing and Reframing Aging which is Ms. McSpadden's contribution to the C4A Board. DAAS launched their Reframing Aging campaign work last week. DAAS is looking to build a two prong campaign to combat ageism and ableism and to help older adults and adults with disabilities access DAAS services easier. Easier service accessibility was one of the Dignity Fund Needs Assessment suggested recommendations. Diane Krantz was hired as the project manager to help DAAS move in the right direction. At the Request of Supervisor Norman Yee, the Long Term Care Coordination Council (LTCCC) launched a Residential Care for the Elderly (RCFE) work group to ensure that San Francisco maintains and grows the number of beds that we have. Mayor London Breed is not only interested in this project but provided \$1M in support of the RCFEs in San Francisco and is hoping that the LTCCC work group can find recommendations and good solutions for keeping RCFEs in the community. Lastly, the Mayor's office sent out policy recommendations for each department and has asked each department to address these recommendations with a memo. Executive Director McSpadden will combine the DAAS memo with the Department of Human Services and with the Office of Early Care and Education's memo and submit all three together as an agency.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

Executive Director Shireen McSpadden and the DAAS Commission recognized Milyn Sanchez, from the DAAS Office of In-Home Support Services. Ms. McSpadden thanked Ms. Sanchez for her hard work and dedication.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT/ President Leon Schmidt

Mr. Schmidt announced that the Advisory Council met Wednesday, July 18, 2018. During the meeting three guests Ms. Paula Katz, (Save our Taraval stops) Mr. Antonio White (SFMTA bus stop proposals) and Ms. Karen Kimsik (Together San Francisco) delivered short presentations. After the presentation the Council voted to send a letter to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) addressing our concerns of bus stop removals and how those removals will affect seniors. Mr. Schmidt also announced the Mrs. Bettye Hammond was reappointed to the Area 6 California Senior Legislature. Elinore Lurie also provided the Advisory Council with the Dignity Fund Oversight and Advisory Committee meeting report. Finally, there were two site visits provided to the council from South Sunset Senior Center in the Sunset district and George Davis Senior Center located in the Bay View.

ADVIOSRY COUNCIL'S JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT/Diane Lawrence

Ms. Lawrence gave a detailed report:

1. **Action Items from May Meeting:** none.
2. **Joint Legislative Committee Items**
 - a. The Joint Legislative met June 20, 2018 and July 18, 2018.
 - i. We did not have a quorum at either meeting as we await Commission appointments to the Committee.
 - ii. We discussed the status of current legislation nonetheless. The report attached to this report was updated by the staff at DAAS as of 8/8/2018
 - b. **The Committee has been tracking 33 bills this second year of the 2-year session, including the State budget.
 - c. Summary:
 - i. August 8, 2018—the following pieces of legislation had changes since the June report:
 1. AB 1877—by Limon. California Emergency Services Act—this bill requires Office of Emergency Services and the governing body of each political subdivision, . . . , to translate any emergency communication *to the public* into the most commonly spoken language other than English in the impacted county or counties. . . . This bill was moved to Appropriations on 6/26/2018.
 2. AB 1909 by Nazarian. In-home supportive services: written content translation—new addition and it is working its way through committees. This bill was read for a second time and ordered to a 3rd reading on 6/26/2018.
 3. AB 1914 by Flora. Presence at health care facilities: conviction of crimes—new since last month—broadened facilities definition. Was new in June but has been gutted.
 4. AB 1934 by Jones-Sawyer—Dependent persons—defines what a dependent adult is, whether or not they live alone. This bill has been chaptered after approval by the Governor.
 5. AB 2159 by Chu. This bill would require a money transmitter to provide a consumer fraud warning on all money transmittal forms used by consumers to send money to an individual, to provide consumer fraud prevention training for its agents to monitor its agents, activities relating to consumer transmittals, . . . This bill was significantly reworded since the last report in mid-May and was referred to Appropriations on 5/16/2018.
 6. AB 2233 by Kalra. Medi-Cal: Assisted Living Waiver Program. This would require the department to submit, in 2019, to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services a request for renewal of the Assisted Living Waiver Program. This bill was referred to the Committee on Health on June 13, 2018.
 7. AB 2299 by Chu—Medi-Cal: managed care plans: informational materials. This bill has had a lot of activity since June and is in committee awaiting hearing as of 8/6/2018.
 8. AB 2694 by Rubio. Domestic violence: ex parte orders—removed older adult language. This bill has passed its 3rd reading was ordered to the Assembly on 8/6/2018.

9. AB 2719 by Irwin. Aging. California Department of Aging to administer the federal Older American's Act in California, and imposes various functions and duties on the department with respect to administration and development of programs for older individuals. This bill would revise the definition of "greatest social need" to include cultural or social isolation caused by sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. This bill has passed its 3rd reading was ordered to the Assembly on 8/6/2018.
10. AB 2994 by Holden. This is a new bill on Building standards: public restrooms: grab bars (CSL). Language change to reference most recent building codes. The language was changed from "public restrooms: grab bars: ambulatory accessible toilet compartments to restroom stalls: disability access. It was referred to Appropriations on 6/21/2018.
11. AB 3098 by Friedman. Residential care facilities for the elderly: emergency plans (CWDA—residential care facilities no longer exempted from required emergency plan requirement. Read for the second time and ordered to third reading on 7/3/2018.
12. SB 688 by Moorlach. Mental Health Services Act: revenue and expenditure reports: Existing law, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), an initiative measure enacted by the voters as Proposition 63 at the November 2, 2004, statewide general election, establishes the continuously appropriated Mental Health Services Fund to fund various county mental health programs and establishes the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to oversee those programs. This bill would additionally require counties to adhere to uniform accounting standards and procedures prescribed by the Controller, as specified, in preparing the reports, with the exception of expenditures or receipts related to capital facilities and technology needs. The bill would instead require those receipts and expenditures to be reported using the cash basis of accounting. This bill was ordered to a 3rd reading on 6/28/2018.
13. SB 821 by Jackson. Emergency notification: county jurisdictions—defines emergency plan for the purposes of emergency services. This bill was read a second time and amended and ordered to second reading on 6/25/2018.
14. SB 823 by Hill. Consumer credit reports: security freezes—this is the Senate bill to AB 1742 by Quirk. Work will be done to align the language with each house working through their respective houses. This bill was gutted and amended and is no longer relevant.
15. SB 1004 by Weiner. Existing Law, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) an initiative measure enacted by the voters as Proposition 63 at the November 2, 2004 election. This bill would require the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission on or before January 1, 2020, to establish priorities for use of prevention and early intervention funds and to develop a statewide strategy for monitoring implementation of prevention and early intervention services, including enhancing public understanding of prevention and early intervention and creating metrics for assessing the effectiveness of how prevention and early intervention funds are used and the outcomes that are achieved. There has been a lot of activity since late May 2018 and it was referred to the Appropriations on 6/20/2018.
16. SB 1021 by Weiner. Prescription Drugs. Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health

care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law also provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance and prohibits the formulary or formularies for outpatient prescription drugs maintained by a health care service plan or health insurer from discouraging the enrollment of individuals with health conditions and from reducing the generosity of the benefit for enrollees or insureds with a particular condition. The law also specifies dates and copayment limits. This bill would extend those provisions from January 1, 2020 until January 1, 2014. And the bill would until January 1, 2023, extend that coverage requirement to combination antiretroviral drug treatments that are medically necessary for the prevention of AIDS/HIV, as specified. This bill moved from Committee and was referred again to the Appropriations committee on 6/20/2018. This bill moved from committee with author's amendments, read a 2nd time, amended and referred to again to Appropriations on 8/6/2018.

17. SB 1026 by Jackson. Older persons and persons with disabilities: fall prevention—grant application process too be developed, requires a plan be developed. This bill was referred to the Appropriations Committee on 6/20/2018.
18. SB 1045 by Wiener & Stern (Allen, Bradford) (Chen). Conservatorship: chronic homelessness: mental illness and substance use disorders—focuses a pilot on the counties of Los Angeles and San Francisco setting a sunset date of January 1, 2024 to the pilot. This bill was further amended and sent to Appropriations again on 8/6/2018.
19. SB 1191 by Hueso. Crimes: elder and dependent adult abuse: Investigations—requires revision of manuals or inclusion of information of regarding elder and dependent adult abuse. This bill was further amended and sent to Appropriations again on 8/6/2018.
20. SB 1292 by Hueso. Alzheimer's disease—further defines advisory committee, research and public awareness. This bill was passed and referred to the Appropriations Committee again on 6/20/2018.
21. SB 1320 by Stern. Elder or dependent adult abuse: victim confidentiality—minor wording changes. This bill was passed and referred to the Appropriations Committee again on 6/19/2018.
22. SB 1343 by Mitchell. Employers: sexual harassment training: requirements. Language changes further refines what applies to supervisors now applies to all employees and reduces the employers with 50 employees to 5. Supervisors are required to take at least 2 hours of training and employees 1 hour. This bill was passed and referred to the Appropriations Committee again on 6/27/2018.
23. SB 1376 by Hill. Transportation network companies: accessibility for persons with disabilities. Existing regulations of the Public Utilities Commission require a transportation network company to allow passengers to indicate whether they require a wheelchair-accessible vehicle or a vehicle otherwise accessible to individuals with disabilities and requires the transportation network company to submit a specified report to the Public Utilities Commission detailing the number and percentage of their customers who requested accessible vehicles and how often the transportation network company was able to comply with requests for accessible vehicles. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature that every transportation network company ensure that it provides full and equal access to all persons with disabilities and would require the commission, by July

1, 2019, January 1, 2020, to develop regulations and to report to the Legislature by January 1, 2023 on the compliance and on the effectiveness of the transportation programs and partnerships funded pursuant to these provisions. This bill had its 5th hearing on 5/23/2018.

24. SB 1464 by Weiner. Medi-Cal: benefits: enrollees with special dental care needs. Existing law establishes the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid program provisions. Existing law provides for a schedule of benefits under the Medi-Cal program, including certain dental services that are referred to as Denti-Cal, and dental managed care plans. This bill would require the department, for Denti-Cal and dental managed care plan beneficiaries with special dental care needs, to a payment adjustment to providers in the program and for dental managed care plans, as specified. This bill was passed and referred again to the Appropriations Committee with recommendation to move to consent calendar on 6/27/2018.

***For a more detailed Joint Legislative Report please contact the Commission Secretary:
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LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (LTCCC) REPORT/Valerie Coleman

Ms. Coleman shared that the LTCCC met on Thursday, July 12, and discussed their June retreat and the Council's goals and strategies moving forward. Dan Kaplan provided the LTCCC with a City wide budget update and Executive Director gave a DAAS budget update. The LTCCC meeting ended with a presentation from Micheal Blecker, Executive Director of Swords to Plowshares. The topic specifically focused on the challenges within the Veterans Affairs (VA) system and how those challenges affect older adults.

CASE Report/Patty Clement-Cihak :

No report

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

The Nominating Committee asked the Commission to re-appoint Advisory Council Members William Marotta, Kay Parekh and Beverly Taylor.

A Motion to re-appoint William Marotta to the DAAS Commission's Advisory Council

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

A Motion to re-appoint Kay Parekh to the DAAS Commission's Advisory Council

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

A Motion to re-appoint Beverly Taylor to the DAAS Commission's Advisory Council

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Anna Sylvester-asked for Commission support to oppose the removal of the 38-Geary Starr King and Gough bus stop and to not relocate the bus stop to the proposed stop which is located in front of St. Mary's Cathedral.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

A. Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Institute on Aging for the provision of increasing the Center for Elderly Suicide Prevention and Grief Related Services (CESP) program's capacity; during the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019; for an additional amount of \$180,000 for a new grant amount of \$485,273 plus 10% contingency for a new total amount not to exceed of \$533,800. Monte Cimino presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

B Requesting authorization to enter into a new contract with TRANSMETRO for the provision to provide transportation services for Office of the Public Conservator and Adult Protective Services during the period of September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021; in the total amount not to exceed of \$80,000. Sandra Teixeira presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MOTION TO ADJOURN,

The motion was unanimously approved

ABSENT: Tedi Vriheas

Meeting adjourned 3:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Badasow
Commission Secretary