Department of Disability and Aging Services (DAS) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, August 21, 2024

TIME: 10-11:30am

PLACE: 1650 Mission St. 5th Floor, Golden Gate Room

To protect the health of the Advisory Council members, DAS staff, and members of the public during the COVID-19 health emergency, the DAS Advisory Council will continue to hold meetings remotely. Members of the public are encouraged to also participate in the meetings remotely.

Members Present: Allen Cooper, Margaret Graf, Chris Dillon, Anne Warren, Marcy Adelman, Ivy Chang, Lisa Cook, Renee Richards, , Tia Small, Morningstar Vancil.

Members Absent Excused: Darlene Ramlose, Steffany Dignum, Diane Lawrence, Juliet Rothman

WELCOME: Call to order 10:00am and welcome Council Members and guests

Roll Call/Secretary

Motion to approve July 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes: approved.

Motion to approve amended meeting minutes for July 17, 2024: approved

Public Comment: Prospective member Beverly Karnatz spoke on an error in the minutes from last month and they were amended.

Director's Report, Director Kelly Dearman:

Director Dearman let the council know that there was no DAS Commission meeting last month. The Mayor's Office on Disability I s now moving to DAS to merge together to hopefully simplify services for all seniors and persons with disabilities under one agency.

Spoke on the ballot initiative on the November Ballot to cut many commissions and councils throughout the city and the possible outcomes of that. Many members asked about the possibility of the Council being cut and how that process could come about.

President's Report, brought by Vice President Margaret Graf:

Spoke on the elections and the nominating committees. Spoke on the bylaws and the elections process. Currently there are 3 offices, president, 1st vice president, and 2nd vice president. Both the president and 1st vice president are already termed out and cannot hold an office position again. Tia is still eligible, and the nominating committee will meet separately to nominate candidates for the November election.

New Business:

A. Elections and Nominating Committee

- i) Qualifications for Committee
- ii) By-laws provisions
- iii) Election process
 - □ Nominating Report to Council—10/16/2024
 - ☐ Election—11/20/2024

6) Reports from the Field

a) LGBTQ Updates Mornigstar Vancil Spoke on using WayMo for the LGBTQ communities

Marcy spoke on Project OpenHouse building a 55 unit building on Market St with hopefully mental health services on the 1st floor. This would double the units provided and is open to all members of the community, not just the LGBTQ community.

Margaret spoke on Community Living honoring council member Marcy Adelmen for her work in the community.

b) CSL Priorities & Updates Anne Warren Vacancies for Assembly and Senate

No updates this month, Anne said they are still in the process of organizing and can really use new members.

Announcements/Reminders

Renee let the council know that SCRAP and Loose Table will be partnering for a fundraiser Sat Oct 26th – will also be online for the fundraiser auction.

• Adjournment: 11:12am

Next Meeting: Wednesday August 21, 2024