



## Commission on Senior Issues

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### Meeting Minutes – University City Commission on Senior Issues

**March 16, 2015**

Location: Heman Park Community Center

Attendees Present: Abbie Carter, Margaret Diekemper, Mary Hart, Sue Slater, William Thomas, Eleanor Mullin, Evelyn Hollowell, Arthur Sharpe, Jr. (Council Liaison) and LaRette Reese (staff Liaison)

Excused: None

Guests: Arthur and Kathy Wasserman (residents)

Ms. Margie Diekemper called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.

Roll call was done by Ms. LaRette Reese

Mr. Bill Thomas requested a correction be made to the agenda changing the date for the next meeting from March 16 to April 20, 2015.

#### Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Slater moved to approve the meeting minutes from the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting; it was seconded by Ms. Mullin. The motion passed.

There was 1 email received regarding unrelated sales advertisement, no action was taken. There were no new calls to report.

Council Update: Councilman Sharpe reminded members about the comprehensive survey to make sure everyone knew how to participate. LaRette was asked to email the survey form to all members. Mr. Sharpe provided updates on the Loop Trolley ribbon cutting, the budget meeting dates (still being finalized) and mosquito spraying, Council did not approve, the City will instead treat larva sight areas only.

Members who attended the Age-Friendly Strategy Workshops provided feedback on the different sessions. Overall members enjoyed the workshops and thought they were well done and provided useful and helpful information. It was noted the University City is one of only a few communities that have a commission on senior issues. Lori Fiegel from St. Louis County will formulate the data collected from the workshops and share the county's plan sometime in June.

### Unfinished Business

- Commissioners worked to complete the rules and by-laws. Ms. Diekemper will email the final draft before the next meeting.
- Ms. Diekemper provided an update on her meeting with the Gail Snider (Chamber of Commerce) and Jodie Lloyd (Economic Development Manager) regarding the Senior Friendly Business initiative. Ms. Snider and Ms. Lloyd suggested the Commission should draft a one-page document with pertinent information about seniors in U City as a first step. This topic will be an agenda item for future meetings.

### New Business

#### Guest Comments:

Resident Arthur Wasserman expressed concern about the City not spraying for mosquitos. The area near his home has a really bad mosquito problem. He also suggested that getting the file for life documents created at local office store might be cheaper.

#### Actions / Follow-Up Items:

- Margie will update the draft rules and by-laws for final review at the next meeting.
- LaRette will email the Resident Comprehensive Plan survey.
- LaRette to confirm how the \$15K can be spent toward seniors.
- LaRette will follow-up on file for life pricing.

**Next Meeting: Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. – Heman Park Community Center**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10p.m.