



CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON SENIOR ISSUES
VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
Monday, March 20, 2023 – 6:00 PM

Members Present:

Gretchen Barry, Allieze Ruby Curry, Suzanne Greenwald, Teresa Huether

Also in attendance: Council Liaison Aleta Klein, Staff Liaison Lynda Euell-Taylor

Excused: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Ms. Huether

Minutes: Ms. Greenwald moved to approve the January 17, 2023, minutes. Ms. Curry seconded. Minutes approved by acclamation.

Citizen Comments: None

Staff Liaison Report: Ms. Euell-Taylor announced Centennial Commons has reopened. The hours are currently Monday-Friday 5:30am – 7pm, Saturday 8am – 1pm. Only the indoor track and cardio area are available. Since the contract ended for Aging Ahead, the program is still suspended.

Council Liaison Report: Ms. Klein added Heman Swimming Pool is expected to open on time this season. She also provided a status report on the redevelopment at Olive Blvd and I-70. City Council has approved the appointment of Dennis Fuller as a Councilmember for Ward Two filling the vacancy left by former Councilmember Tim Cusick. There are two new appointments scheduled for the Commission on Senior Issues – Christopher Lhotak and Mary Dee Schmidt.

New Business: Ms. Teresa Huether was elected Chairperson, with Ms. Allieze Ruby Curry elected Vice-chairperson. Ms. Gretchen Barry will continue to record the minutes. Three new binders will be needed for the new Commission members. Beginning with the April meeting, the Commission will return to in-person meetings held at Centennial Commons Recreation Facility (7210 Olive Blvd.), beginning at 6 pm.

Old Business: Members were encouraged to view the Saint Louis County Government website to review what services are provided to seniors. How should we educate the senior residents of University City about these services? Ms. Huether asked members to reflect on what information should be shared and how to communicate it to our seniors. Ms. Greenwald will contact the University City High School to investigate options for engaging students to assist senior citizens.

Other Updates / Topics of Concern: None

Public / Citizen Participation: None

Closing Comments: None

Adjournment: Ms. Greenwald motioned to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Barry seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.