



**CITY OF UNIVERSITY CITY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON SENIOR ISSUES . VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025 – 6:00 PM**

Members Present: Gretchen Barry, Allieze Ruby Curry, Christopher Lhotak, Mary Dee Schmidt

Also in Attendance: Staff Liaison Lynda Euell-Taylor, Council liaison John Tieman

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Ms. Euell-Taylor.

Minutes: Ms. Schmidt moved to approve the November 18, 2024, minutes. Mr. Lhotak seconded.

Citizen comments: None

Staff Liaison Report: Ms. Euell-Taylor gave a brief report. The Thursday bingo event continues to be a success. Mister Gary with *Them Yo' People* was the guest bingo announcer for the December 12th event. The January event was cancelled due to weather. The Senior Services Coordinator position is posted on the website, no other update.

Council Liaison Report: Mr. Tieman gave an update. The mayor will give a state of the city address on March 6th at 7pm, all are invited. There are adds on Nextdoor for new commission members. Jeff Hale's soon to be vacated 1st Ward position on the city council is open for a temporary replacement.

New Business: None

Old Business: Ms. Schmidt has agreed to be the first participant for the pilot session at University High School. There are 5 students confirmed for the March 13th 1:30 – 2:30pm inaugural session. Commissioners are encouraged to attend.

Teresa Huether will continue to recruit speakers for the Lunch and Learn event at the Library. The series resumes in March.

Ms. Euell-Taylor will forward flyers for several scheduled event through the early Spring.

Other updates/Topics of Concern: Several commissioners will be absent for upcoming meetings. Mr. Lhotak will be absent in March and April (unless he is able to log on from his new second home in Turkey). Mr. Lhotak also plans to be living in Turkey during August through November of this year. Ms. Curry will be absent in April. Ms. Schmidt will be absent in March. The absences will prevent the commission from reaching a quorum for these meetings. Ivy Jackson Davis is a prospective new commissioner. However, the approval process for adding her as a new member has stalled. She never heard back from the City after attending a meeting back in the Fall. As explained by Mr. Tieman, adding a new member requires two consecutive City Council meetings. Mr. Tieman suggested recruiting for new members at the monthly bingo event.

Public/Citizen Participation: None

Closing Comments: None

Adjournment: Ms. Schmidt motioned for adjournment at 6:50 pm. Ms. Barry seconded.