



## Commission on Senior Issues

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### Meeting Minutes – University City Commission on Senior Issues September 15, 2014

Location: Heman Park Community Center

Attendees Present: Abbie Carter, Evelyn Hollowell, Margaret Diekemper, Mary Hart, Eleanor Mullin, William Thomas and LaRette Reese (staff Liaison). Also present were Ms. Katie Vogelsang, St. Louis County Community Services Coordinator and Lori Fiegel, St. Louis County Comprehensive Planning Manager and two residents.

Excused: Sue Slater, Arthur Sharpe Jr.

Absent:

Ms. Margie Diekemper called the meeting to order at 6:05p.m.

Roll Call was done by Ms. LaRette Reese

#### Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Eleanor Mullin moved to approve the meeting minutes from the August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting; it was seconded by Ms. Abbie Carter. The motion passed.

Guest speaker Katie Vogelsang gave a brief introduction on her role and the area for which covers for St. Louis County. She also shared information on various services available to the senior population of St. Louis County including University. She expressed her focus is on volunteers to work with CORPS. The top three services for COPRS are transportation, callers and office work. The demand far exceeds the resources.

There was a brief discussion on the new phone mailbox for seniors. Instructions and details were given to the Commission members. Ms. Hart will be the primary person retrieving and responding to incoming calls. Ms. Hart will provide a report of calls taken during each commission meeting. This process may change in the further.

#### Unfinished Business

- Invitation for a representative from the Crowne Center to come to join a meeting to share information about their facility and services. - Ms. Hollowell is working with Carmen on a date.
- Website options remain an open item. Councilman Sharpe Jr. is looking into possible resources to help the commission get up and running. Ms. Diekemper requested that each commission member review the Florissant web site for ideas to use in building the U City site.

Ms. Fiegel discussed creating a standard website template for all municipalities to use sometime in the further.

Ms. Fiegel shared information from the comprehensive report. The report can be found the St. Louis County's website. Ms. Fiegel also discussed the possibility of using the October meeting to hold an interactive community forum for seniors. The purpose is to gather feedback on the unique needs of seniors in University City. The members voted and agreed to use the October meeting for this purpose. Mr. Thomas made the motion, Ms. Hollowell seconded. The vote was passed. Ms. Fiegel will provide flyers to invite residents, each member is asked to invite at least five people.

#### New Business

#### Actions / Follow-Up Items:

- Ms. Hollowell will continue working on getting Carman from the Crowne Center to attend a meeting.
- All members will review the Florissant Website and come to next meeting with ideas for our page.
- Mr. Sharpe will research website assistance

#### **Next Meeting:                    Monday October 20 at 6:00 PM. – Heman Park Community Center**

This meeting will be used to hold the Community Forum for seniors hosted by St. Louis County Age Friendly

Meeting Adjourned at 6:14p.m.