

## Senior Center Committee of Commission on Elder Affairs Notice/Agenda

The Senior Center Committee meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday January 10, 2023 at NOON via ZOOM:** Members who cannot attend this meeting should contact Amy at 508-799-1232 X48013 or [watersa@worcesterma.gov](mailto:watersa@worcesterma.gov).

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### AGENDA

- I. Senior Center Committee Chair
  - a. Call to Order / Approval of minutes for November 8, 2022
  - b. Confirm date and time of next meeting-February 8, 2023 at noon on zoom.
  
- II. Elder Affairs Staff Reports and Recommendations
  - A. Finances
    1. Public and Private Funding
    2. Program Allocations
    3. Leases
    4. Development
  
  - B. Operations
    1. Staffing
    2. Facility and Grounds
    3. Programs
    4. Reopening/Closing
  
- III. Public Comment (up to 2 minutes each)
- IV. Adjournment

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REPORT TO COMMISSION ON ELDER AFFAIRS  
**Senior Center Committee Meeting November 8, 2022**

Present: Richard Shea-Chair; Caroline Sullivan, Kathan Horne, Facely Henriquez, Fran Langille, Patty Hainsworth, Amy Waters

Richard called the meeting to order on zoom at 12:02 pm. The minutes of Oct. 11, 22 were approved (m/s/a). The next regular meeting was confirmed for January 10, 2023 on zoom.

Amy reported on and the committee discussed the following: 1<sup>st</sup> quarter city budget meeting went well; full FY'23 state COA funding has been received; reviewed allocations spreadsheet noting additional state funding and city funded to be reallocated instead of spending on grandpads this year; strategized about one-time spending this year in order have funds available to expand services in the future, especially senior services due to a 27% increase in the city's senior population from 2010 and a 58% increase in units of assistance provided comparing FY'22 to pre-pandemic; proposal reviewed to request full time employee positions instead of temporary part-time multi-cultural elder group coordinator positions; also reviewed potential expenditures for kitchen steamer, computer lab chairs, 1 more computer for lab plus CD player, lap top for streaming services, folding lap top shelves to avoid trip hazards, privacy seats, interactive board & table games, TV for Wellness Center, additional signage, basic needs assistance, Older Americans Month vouchers for more expensive programs, one-time special programs, community garden water system & fencing, picnic table & seating, and various building needs not yet addressed by Dept of Public Facilities. Committee members were invited to provide additional feedback this month regarding potential spending this year as well as requests for next year. It was also suggested that senior participants be surveyed about what they'd like to see for the senior center if there were resources available.

Patty reported on and the committee discussed the following: Fitness Center furnishings are still in the delivery and installation process; upgraded msc swipe stations will be installed next week; the ribbon cuttings for the Fitness and Wellness Centers went well; over 170 active participants in Fitness Center; Major Veteran's Day event tomorrow; Thanksgiving also a signature event this month; will be a REAL ID program which will be video'd for Channel 192; and, December will be filled with holiday concerts, decorating and crafts.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 pm (m/s/a).