

Senior Center Committee of Commission on Elder Affairs Notice/Agenda

The Senior Center Committee meeting will be held on:

Tuesday January 14, 2025, at 12:00 noon via Microsoft Teams

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AGENDA

- I. Senior Center Committee Chair
 - a. Call to Order / Approval of minutes for Nov. 12, 2024
 - b. Confirm date and time of next meeting: Feb. 11, 2025, NOON, on Teams.

- 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

- III. Public Comment (up to 2 minutes each)
- IV. Adjournment

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REPORT TO THE COMMISSION ON ELDER AFFAIRS
Senior Center Committee Meeting November 12, 2024

Present: Richard Shea-Chair, Noreen Shea, Facely Henriquez, Steve Corridori, Tamara Cullen, Patty Hainsworth, Amy Waters.

Richard called the meeting to order at 12:03pm on Teams. The minutes from October 8, 2024 were approved (m/s/a). The next meeting was confirmed for January 14, 2025 at noon on Teams. Tamara and Steve were welcomed as guests expected to be formally appointed to the committee in the future.

Amy reported that funding is stable, and the first half of the state COA allocation has been received. She reviewed the current budget breakdowns. Regarding allocations, Amy noted that it is a legal requirement that the Fitness Center management contract go out to bid for implementation in July 2025. She reviewed the draft bid specifications and invited the committee's involvement. Amy also briefly reviewed a chart with details on the tenant agreements at the Senior Center, noting that no changes are expected until the spring.

Amy also reported on the result of the City's request for proposals for the lease and development of the vacant former St. Vincent Hospital's nurses home building. The preferred developer has been determined to be Rogerson Communities which intends to create approximately 100 units of residential housing for seniors of various income levels, rent to be adjusted accordingly. The development is expected to include renovation of the vacant space as well as new construction with apartments and parking lot at grade. There will not be a wide-spread announcement yet, as there are many steps to this lengthy process.

Patty reported that DPF will be fixing the bathrooms near the Activity Room and are helping us with signage. She reviewed the very successful intergenerational veteran's day event which took place last week and noted the following upcoming programs: Stroke Education, Thanksgiving craft fair/lunch/entertainment, December holiday music, Age Friendly Health Systems, and a St. Vincent Hospital Nutritionist talk. Also, the next meeting of Dementia Friendly Worcester will be Dec. 19th at 3:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 pm (m/s/a).