

Colorado Springs Commission on Aging Minutes

February 5, 2020

3:00 – 5:00 pm

City Hall, 107 N Nevada Ave. (Pikes Peak Conference Room)

In attendance: Carrie Schillinger (Chair), Lorri Orwig, CJ Moore, Lindsey Baker, Aubrey Day, Caedryn Carter, Claire Anderson, Connie Johnson, Mittie Pedraza, Elisa Santos, David McKeown, David Geislinger, Jill Gaebler

Excused: Kelsie Heermans

Absent:

Guests: Mikaela Burns, Melissa Marts

Staff: Carly Hoff

Call to Order 3:05 pm

Welcome & Introductions

Approval of minutes from 1/8/20

Lorri motions, Connie seconds

Approved unanimously

Citizen Comment

Mikaela Burns with Innovations in Aging Collaborative:

Bleating Heart Night at Goat Patch Brewing Company

February 25, 2020, 5-9 pm

City Council Meeting- last time to make public comment about ADUs

February 11, 2020, 10 am at City Hall

Ivywild Traffic Study

February 10, 2020, 6 pm at Ivywild School

Commissioner Updates

Education Event – Empower Yourself for Optimal Aging

February 19, 2020, 10 am – 1 pm

International Dance Center (formerly International Polka Club)

2422 Busch Ave, 80904

Educational Event for Older Adults

[ColoradoSprings.gov/DowntownHistoricParks](https://coloradosprings.gov/DowntownHistoricParks)

Brainstorming Session, Continued

Discussion:

Age Friendly Domain areas:

Transportation

Housing

Outdoor Spaces and Building

Respect and Social Inclusion

Social Participation

Civic Participation and Employment

Communication and Information

Community Support and Health Services

Creation of Ad Hoc Subcommittees & Point Person:

Outreach – Lorri

Advocacy – David

Policy – Aubrey or Vanessa

Formulate goals/strategies for each subcommittee

Report Out:

Outreach-

Follow up on work already done in Age Friendly

Build on the work done already on 8 domains

What is our scope and limitations?

We have the avenues, build a distro list – what exactly are we sharing?

Next step- what are we sharing?

Policy -

Work with city staff to monitor what is in front of Council and provide input where issues impact older adults

Identify policy opportunities called out in the Age Friendly report

Make formal recommendations to council based on Advocacy Subcommittee input

Develop policy briefs on key issues and send to Council

Draft response to critical and immediate issues for the Commission's review and feedback

Budget can fall under policy group

Monitor state legislative issues and comment on them to local decision makers

Topic areas/key issues: affordable housing, downtown parks, and RetoolCOS

Advocacy-

Identified needs that can moved forward by Policy group

Three new areas: Parks, Mental Health services (lack of services), Community

Engagement/Participation (i.e. voting/democratic process for older adults, mobile services)

Action:

David Lord and Housing Domain of Age Friendly presentation at Commission on Aging in March
Retool Colorado Springs is meeting right now to rewrite the land use regulations for Colorado Springs : <https://coloradosprings.gov/retoolcos>.

Next meeting(s):

Chapter 7 Land Code – RetoolCOS Any particular day or time for this meeting to include here?

Next CSCoA Meeting: Wednesday, March 4, 2020, 3:00 – 5:00 pm at City Hall, 107 N. Nevada Ave., Pikes Peak Conference Room on second floor

Adjournment 5:03 pm