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**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
APRIL 13, 2021**

The Community Health and Senior Services Commission of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a Special Meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 5:04 p.m.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioner Blum, Commissioner Rossmann, Commissioner Rahmil, and Commissioner Konrad

Absent: Commissioner Norcia, Youth Commissioner Mathur

Also Present: Vice Mayor Rennie and Liaison Andrews

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Konrad discussed an article he was drafting for an upcoming Los Gatos Living magazine edition.

Commissioner Blum shared some of his recent presentations to community groups and that the Commission approved article he drafted will published in Los Gatos Living also.

Commissioner Rahmil shared that she reached out to JCC and Shir Hadash regarding the Commission.

**CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)**

1. Approve Community and Senior Services Commission Minutes of March 23, 2021

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Norcia to approve the minutes of March 23, 2021. Seconded by Commissioner Blum

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

**VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS** *(Members of the public may address the Community and Senior Services Commission on any matter that is not listed on the agenda. Unless additional time is authorized by the Community and Senior Services Commission, remarks shall be limited to three minutes.)*

Stephen Guruwaiya of Los Gatos Living expressed his magazines desire to support the Commission through the publication of articles from our Commissioners.

**OTHER BUSINESS** *(Up to three minutes may be allotted to each speaker on any of the following items.)*

1. Discussion of Town Council FY 2021/23 Strategic Priorities, CHSSC Goals for FY 2020/21, and Identification of Senior Service Gaps

- a. Presentation by Saratoga Area Senior Coordinating Council (SASCC)

SASCC Executive Director Tylor Taylor provided a PPT presentation outlining the services provided by SASCC. Services include the Adult Day Program, RYDE senior transportation program, publication of the Outlook print newspaper, and other senior oriented activities. Mr. Taylor explained that during COVID SASCC pivoted many of its programs to online and the RYDE Program helped significantly with food distribution for Live Oak Senior Nutrition Center. Commissioners asked questions regarding the SASCC business model and thoughts on next steps for Los Gatos. Mr. Taylor explained that a Community Assessment Survey of Senior needs would make a good starting point.

- b. Presentation by West Valley Community Services

West Valley Community Services (WVCS) Director Josh Selo provided a PPT presentation outlining the services provided by WVCS and Los Gatos client specific data. Services include food support, emergency rental and utility support, case management, homeless support services, and other safety net assistance programs. Mr. Selo shared that they saw increased demand across all WVCS programs during COVID, especially food and rental assistance. Mr. Selo also detailed the close coordination with the Town for residents requiring isolation or quarantine due to COVID exposure. Mr. Selo presented detailed charts illustrating the year over year increases in Los Gatans receiving assistance. Commissioners asked questions regarding the WVCS business model and strong volunteer participation.

- c. CHSSC Workplan and Staff Report
  - i. Attachment 4a – Work Plan
  - ii. Attachment 4b – 2020 Sourcewise COVID Impact Survey
- d. CHSSC Goals for FY 2020/21

Discussion occurred during agenda items a and b

2. Staff Liaison Report
  - a. Updates from CHSSC partners
  - b. Update from staff liaison

No reports

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the April 13, 2021 meeting as approved by the Community Health and Senior Services Commission.

/s/Arn Andrews, Assistant Town Manager