

**City of Fort Collins
Senior Advisory Board**

MINUTES

**Wednesday, February 8, 2017 11:30 a.m.
Fort Collins Senior Center
1200 Raintree Drive
Fort Collins, Colorado 80526**

Mission: The Senior Advisory Board shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Fort Collins City Council on programs and policies that help aging citizens live full and interesting lives and continue to contribute, participate, and share in the life of the community.

I. Board Members Present:

Myles Crane
Sarah Schilz
Diane Smith
Suzanne King
Nancy Luttrupp

Staff Present:

Katie Stieber

Speaker(s):

Absent:

Sue Dalton
Gosha

Guests:

II. Call to Order

III. Administrative Items

10 min

- A. Attendance
- B. Approval of Minutes for January
- C. Correspondence
- D. Update on SAB Activities of the last month

IV. Public Participation

10 min

V. Review 2017 Annual Report

10 min

Slight updates, next draft next month

VI. Speakers

60 min

11:45 am Gino Campana

- Would you mind giving us your elevator speech on senior affordable housing?
- What are the top 5 issues in senior affordable housing?
- What is the review and approval process for senior affordable housing?
- Could more seniors review affordable housing?
- Could we retrofit current housing to better meet our needs?
- Have we considered a low income stipend for senior housing?

City government should create eco system that gives people what they need. Challenge seniors are having, downsize but nothing to downsize into. City land use codes. Look at targeted square footage. Target size seniors are looking for. Can permitting be changed, plumbing pipe size. Utilities. Biggest challenge right now is water. City has 5 water districts (only own one). Land inventory. Need collaboration regarding raw water.

Carol Webb PowerPoint presentation, water, utilities, spreadsheet of water costs and potential increases.

Least expensive to build attached dwellings, condos, townhomes. Construction defect law has affected construction. Multiple lawsuits. No companies in Colorado will ensure any condos.

Very little incentive to build affordable housing. Bring down rent by increasing supply. First floor of every building built is accessible currently. Asked why don't build accessible from the start? Reiterated that all first floors are accessible.

How do seniors get involved in the “review” process?

One page infographic with list of what seniors have identified as needs in housing. Make it available at various City agencies.

Shared housing, retro fit housing, any incentives to retro fit and created these shared housing opportunities? Gino – zoning, HOAs, challenging.

Price per square foot, cheaper to build big than small. Smaller homes, townhomes more expensive. City looking at fees right now. Board can get involved in fees (utilities, water).

Get presentation on construction defect law.

Request letter to be sent to City Council regarding various laws.

Compact urban development (mixed use, build up)

Board suggests that we host Carol’s presentation in April.

Sarah wants a speaker specifically on construction defect law.

12:15 pm Emily Gorgol; Volunteers of America Nutrition Program Manager

- Operate 6 different services
- Meals on wheels, Smiling Spoon (congregate mealsite), grocery shopping program, RSVP, support for Veteran’s families, handyman

VII. Updates

10 min

- A. Senior Transportation Coalition - Diane Smith
- B. City of Fort Collins Affordable Housing, 1st Thursday, 4 pm, City Hall; Sarah Schilz
- C. City of Fort Collins Transportation, 3rd Wednesday, 6 pm, 215 N. Mason community room, Suzanne King
- D. PAFC steering committee - Myles Crane
 - a. 4 members met with other communities last month. More information at tomorrow’s meeting.
- E. PAFC – Housing, Nancy Luttrupp
- F. PAFC culture of aging committee
- G. PAFC health and wellness committee

VIII. New Business – Brief Discussion of Any Issues of Concern

15 min

- A. Education
- B. Outreach
- C. Advocacy
- D. Brews and News, Coloradoan sponsoring, Challenges of Retirement, February 23

IX. Adjourn

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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March 8 11:45 am Sylvia Garcia, Poudre River Public Library, Virtual Library Demo

12:15 pm Alex Gordon, Transportation Planner II/Mobility Coordinator North Front Range MPO