

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE OLDER ADULT NEEDS COMMITTEE
CITY OF NOVI
MONDAY, January 8, 2024, AT 5:30 P.M.**

Member Casey called the meeting to order at 5:33 P.M.

ROLL CALL: **PRESENT:** Council Member Casey, Council Member Smith, Kathy Crawford, Kim Nice, Debbie Wrobel
ABSENT: Member Thomas, Jay Dooley

ALSO PRESENT: Victor Cardenas, City Manager, Jeff Muck, PRCS Director

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

OAN 24-01-01 Moved by Smith, seconded by Nice; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

To approve the Agenda.

**Voice vote on OAN 24-01-01 Yeas: Casey, Smith, Crawford, Nice, Wrobel
 Nays: None
 Absent: Thomas, Dooley**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

OAN 24-01-02 Moved by Smith, seconded by Crawford; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

To approve the November 27, 2023, meeting minutes.

**Voice vote on OAN 24-01-02 Yeas: Casey, Smith, Crawford, Nice, Wrobel
 Nays: None
 Absent: Thomas, Dooley**

REMARKS FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Member Casey began the meeting by wishing OAS Manager a Happy 6-month anniversary with the City. She then spoke about her request to the Mayor and Council to extend the Older Adult Needs Committee for another year so it could wrap up the work the committee had done since its creation. Next, Member Casey recapped some of the goals that had been discussed during the City Council goal setting meeting that had just taken place. Many of the topics discussed tied into the OAN focus of housing and assistance for Seniors as well as senior transit.

City Manager Cardenas and PRCS Director Muck gave an update regarding the ongoing process of selecting services for transit services through Oakland County. The City sent out an RFP to three providers and received two proposals. The team will continue working towards a decision that will best serve Novi.

Topics for upcoming meetings will include:

Housing & Aging in Place	Update on Communications
Universal Design and Advocacy	Volunteer Opportunities
New senior resident welcome kit	Generational expectations

MATTERS FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

1. Goal Setting for Survey

The committee spent the rest of the meeting discussing the upcoming survey, and clarifying what the main topics would be. The survey was described as a way to gain buy-in and build excitement from the community as well as being an information gathering tool. The main topics of the survey will be:

1. Senior Center/Community Center
2. Housing
3. Transportation

Smaller topics will also include learning more about communication and how our Seniors learn about programs and services and trying to gauge how the community feels about financing these projects.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: None

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 P.M.

Date approved: January 29, 2024

Transcribed by Melissa Morris, Deputy City Clerk