

**City of Kirkland  
Kirkland Senior Council  
Minutes of Annual Retreat  
June 11, 2024**

**1) CALL TO ORDER**

The June 11, 2024 Kirkland Senior Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 1:28pm by Chair Terry Steele-Kalet.

**2) ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Kurt Ahrensfield, John Barnett, Karen Hartman, Kathy Iverson, Jeri Jay-Kelley, Steve Lewis, Barbara Loomis, Ingrid Martin, Susan Prows, Terry Steele-Kalet, Joyce Stone, Charlotte Svenson, and Bob Warren

Members Absent: Carole Bryan, Maru De La Pena, Scott Emmons (LOA), Susan Harris-Huether, Michael Kovsky, Caryn Morawek (LOA), and Barbara Trunkhill

Staff Present: Betsy Maxwell, Program Coordinator

**3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Kathy Iverson motioned to approve the minutes from May 2024 as written, seconded by Member Jeri Jay-Kelley, motion passed unanimously.

**4) SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Adam Weinstein, City of Kirkland Planning & Building Director, updated the KSC members on the 2044 Comp Plan and potential changes. The KSC would like to see a paragraph regarding seniors in every section of the 2044 Comp Plan. Discussion followed regarding affordable housing, senior housing, potential zoning changes, transportation and infrastructure.

**5) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Member Barbara Loomis updated KSC members that the Housing committee had completed the proposed letter to City Council that includes recommendations for building specification for future projects. After discussing the letter, Member Barbara Loomis moved that the letter be sent with the discussed corrections, seconded by Member Joyce Stone. Motion passed unanimously. The letter will be sent to staff to forward to City Council, the City manager and the Planning and Building Director.

- B. Staff discussed the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, KSC will have a 10x10 booth by Lake & Central, a table, chairs, tent and weights will be provided. Volunteers will need to be at the booth to set-up 9:30am-11am. The parade will be 11am-1pm. The road will be closed from 9:30am-2pm. Volunteers will need to park elsewhere, there will be no reserved parking. The following people volunteered to work the parade: Susan Harris-Huether, Barb Loomis, Karen Hartman and Michael Kovsky.
- C. Staff discussed upcoming Farmer's Market dates, the Senior Resource Fair and City Hall for All. KSC members are encouraged to help at the KSC booth at one or more of these events.
  - a. Steve Loomis will volunteer at the Farmer's Market on July 17<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Joyce Stone, Kathy Iverson and Susan Prows will volunteer at the Senior Resource Fair on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

## 6) NEW BUSINESS

- A. Member Barbara Loomis will attend the Planning Commission meetings to help keep the KSC more informed on upcoming projects.
- B. Member Kurt Ahrensfield will attend the Transportation Commission meetings to help keep the KSC more informed.
- C. Member John Barnett would like to submit a letter to the editor of the Seattle Times on behalf of the KSC titled Healthy Aging Starts Early. Member Joyce Stone motioned to approve the letter as written, seconded by Member Jeri Jay-Kelley, motion passed unanimously.
- D. Members Joyce Stone, Charlotte Svenson, Bob Warren, Karen Hartman and Jeri Jay-Kelley will form the KSC Recruitment Committee. Recruitment for new members will take place in October.

## 7) COMMUNICATIONS

### A. Member Reports

#### i) Advocacy

Member Kathy Iverson reported that the Advocacy committee is working on the new legislative agenda.

North Rose Hill hosted a Senior Tea Party, 7 people attended.

ii) Art Show

Volunteer Penny Kahn thanked everyone for helping her with the art show, it was a huge success:

92 artists participated

203 pieces of art were shown

215 people voted on the submitted art pieces at the reception

iii) Education

Member Ingrid Martin reported that the upcoming Emergency Preparedness class was canceled due to the presenter being ill, this will be rescheduled sometime this summer.

iv) Housing

Member Barb Loomis reported under unfinished business.

v) Human Services Panel

No report

vi) Marketing

No report

vii) Outreach

No report

viii) Transportation

No report

ix) Viva Volunteer

Member Jeri Jay-Kelley reported that she will be going off the KSC at the end of the year and Viva Volunteers will need a new Chairperson.

x) Chair Report

No report

**b) Staff Report**

- i) Staff reported that the KSC/City Council Study Session date has been set for 10/1/2024

- ii) Staff has scheduled Metro to come to the July meeting to update on the Rapid Ride K Line in Kirkland

## **8) ADJOURNMENT**

Member Charlotte Svenson motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Steve Lewis, motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.