



GARLAND

MINUTES

The Senior Citizens Advisory Commission of the City of Garland convened in regular session at 9:00 AM on June 4, 2026, in the Work Session Room at the William E. Dollar Municipal Building, 200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas, with the following members present:

Present: Carol Cooper, Chair
Gail Belton, Vice Chair
Amador Castro, Jr., Commission Member
Wytonia Montgomery, Commission Member
Sal Liberto, Commission Member
Kathleen Gardner, Commission Member
Ann Garrett, Commission Member
Venita Lovelace - Chandler, Commission Member

Absent: Robert Bruns, Commission Member

Staff Present: Jesse Johnson, Jr., Recreation Manager
Jelisa Baker, Recreation Services Supervisor
Dee Muhlinghaus, Recreation Services Supervisor
Anna M. Enriquez, Department Representative

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. **Consider Approval of the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission Minutes for the May 7, 2026 Meeting**

A motion was made by Commission Member Gail Belton, and seconded by Commission Member Ann Garrett, to approve the minutes of May 7, 2026, as submitted. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Commission on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak.

There was no one who wished to speak under citizen comments.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- a. **Garland Mayor Dylan Hedrick Q&A on Issues Pertaining to Senior Citizens**

Garland Mayor Dylan Hedrick will discuss issues pertaining to Senior Citizens and will be available to answer any questions.

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- b. **Garland Police Department Presentation on Fraud, Scams, and Senior Citizen Safety**

Matt Pesta, Police Officer, will discuss fraud, scams, and issues pertaining to senior citizens and be available to answer questions.

Shy Marler, NPO liaison, discussed fraud, scams, and issues pertaining to senior citizens and was available to

answer any questions.

c. Envision Vision Rehabilitation Center Will Provide an Overview Presentation on the Services They Offer

Mr. Castillo will provide a presentation on Envision Vision Rehabilitation Center and be available to answer questions.

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d. Consider Canceling or Rescheduling the July 2, 2026 Meeting

Jesse Johnson, Jr., Recreation Services Manager, requests that the Commission consider canceling or rescheduling the July 2, 2026 meeting.

The motion was made by Commission Member, Gail Belton, and seconded by Commission Member Wytonia Montgomery to cancel the July 2, 2026, meeting.

e. Marketing Outreach to Senior Citizens Update

Commission Members Montgomery and Bruns will present and finalize which city events the Commissioner Members will attend and determine the items needed for each event.

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f. Garland Church Food Assistance Update

Commission Member Garrett will present a report on the regular operating days and hours of various food banks.

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g. Senior Citizens Advisory Commission Website Discussion

Jesse Johnson Jr., Recreation Services Manager, will discuss developments of the Commission web page and city department research and be available to answer questions.

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h. Senior Center Reports

Jelisa Baker, Recreation Services Supervisor and Ms. Muhlinghaus, Recreation Services Supervisor, will provide updates to the Commission and be available to answer questions.

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i. City Press Upcoming Topics Discussion

Chair Cooper will lead a discussion on upcoming topics to be included in the City Press and be available to answer questions.

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4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Cooper has requested the following:

Aug.- Fire Department will speak to the Commission and/or new council member, Justin Carraway, will come speak to the Commission.

Sept.- Many Phippen, Environmental Health Director, will speak to the Commission.

Oct.- Commission yearly Chair and Vice Chair election and possibly a speak from the Seionr Source, as well as a speaker to discuss how the city is using AI.

Nov.-Emergency Management hosted by Ann Garrett.

5. ADJOURN

Chair Cooper adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Submitted By:

/s/ Carol Cooper, Chair

/s/ Anna Enriquez, Recording Secretary