

Health, Housing & Community  
Services Department  
Commission on Aging

## COMMISSION ON AGING REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 18, 2026  
1:30 p.m.

### 1. **Roll Call**

Present: (7) Newbery, Evans, Orrick, Porter, Yamaguchi, Lavault, Davila

Absent:

Excused Absence: Collins

Staff Present: (2) Darlene Bronson, Donnaracia Scurry

Public: (0)

### 2. **Public Comment** (0)

### Presentation

#### Staff Report

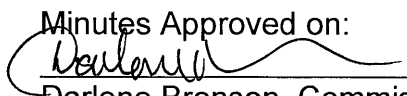
### Discussion

1. Letter of concern: Enforcing Leash Laws at the Berkeley Bay Front
2. Report from the Fact-Finding Committee on the closure of the ceramics class in the context of the closure of the South Berkeley Senior Center, Newbery, Orrick, Porter, Davila, Lavault –
3. Cycling without Age, Orrick/Newbery
4. Berkeley Rides for Seniors and the Disabled- Evans
5. Elections of Chair and Vice Chair
6. Issue with seniors and women staying in Berkeley shelters
7. Liaison to other City of Berkeley commissions - Yamaguchi

### Action Items

1. Elections of Chair and Vice Chair- Chair Lavault re-elected. Vice Chair Yamaguchi was re-elected.
2. Letter of concern: Enforcing Leash Laws at the Berkeley Bay Front- Voted to remove from future agendas, with commissioner Porter abstaining
3. Voted to approve letter of support for the relocation of the ceramics class during the renovation of South Berkeley Senior Center. Each commissioner will send the letter to their appointed council member.
4. Invite a presenter from the City of Berkeley knowledgeable about City of Berkeley shelters.

**Commissioners adjourned at 3:14p.m.**

Minutes Approved on:  
 3/18/2026  
 Darlene Bronson, Commission Secretary

