

Tuolumne County Commission on Aging
Agenda for Meeting on Monday, December 13, 2021, 1:30 pm

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1. **Call to Order.**
2. **Introductions.**
3. **Public Comment:** Non-Commissioners are welcome to speak about senior-related issues NOT listed on this agenda (3 minutes maximum per speaker) – no discussion, please.
4. **Minutes:** Approval of Minutes of the November 8, 2021 COA meeting.
5. **Chair's Report:** Rex Whisnand
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Cathie Peacock
7. **Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Kristi Conforti
8. **County Report:** Supervisor David Goldemberg, District 1/Jason Terry, CAO's Office
9. **Committee Reports on 2021 Goals:**

Transportation Committee:

1. Report unmet needs in Senior Transportation to SSTAC (Social Services Transportation Advisory Council) and County.
2. Review a program of driver assistance to Seniors utilizing taxi and public transportation services.

Community Relations Committee:

3. Continue to review viability of Senior Volunteer Event.
4. Continue to review viability of Centenarian Luncheon.
5. Have a Commissioner attend BOS (Board of Supervisors) meetings as needed and speak on Senior topics during Public Comment or on Agenda.
6. Attend Senior community meetings & events and publicize COA (Commission on Aging). Report back to COA as part of regular Agenda item.

7. Investigate establishment of County-wide network to provide services to seniors via phone, online, newspapers, etc.

Legislative Committee:

8. Continue to monitor State and Federal Legislation as it impacts Seniors, and report to BOS as needed.
9. Report periodically on the status of Senior Legislature proposals, and highlight items which will directly impact the County.
10. Study California Master Plan for Aging and make recommendations to BOS and other agencies.

Governance Committee:

11. Continue to recruit new members to fill openings and maintain a “bench strength”.
12. Develop an ongoing succession process for the COA.
13. Review COA ByLaws and present recommended changes to COA.

Education Committee:

14. Review information from applicable organizations and agencies on Senior homelessness, and report concerns to BOS.
15. Investigate impact of Homeowners Insurance situation on Senior homeowners and renters.
16. Review current County plans for emergency evacuation of Seniors and make recommendations as appropriate.
17. Develop list of relevant speakers for March – November meetings, to include all Supervisors.
18. Monitor and report on Covid-19 vaccination situation in County as it applies to Seniors.

Senior Expo Task Force:

19. Investigate putting on 10th Senior Expo later in year.

10. Unfinished Business:

Presentation of Slate of 2022 Officers.

11. New Business:

Resolution regarding holding next COA meeting in person or by remote communication.

12. Public Comment.

13. Adjournment.

**Next COA Meeting:
January 10, 2022, 1.30 PM
Location: TBA**

**COA Executive Committee Meeting:
January 3, 2022, 2:00 PM
Location: TBA**

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1 **Commission on Aging**

2 **County of Tuolumne**

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4 **FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION ON AGING**
5 **AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS**
6 **OF THE COMMISSION ON AGING**
7 **FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 12, 2022**
8 **PURSUANT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT.**
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10 **WHEREAS**, all meetings of the COMMISSION ON AGING and its legislative bodies are open
11 and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code §§ 54950 – 54963), so that any
12 member of the public may attend, participate, and view the legislative bodies conduct their business; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote
14 teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the
15 requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions and
16 requirements; and

17 **WHEREAS**, a required condition of Government Code section 54953(e) is that a state of
18 emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code section 8625, proclaiming the
19 existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the state
20 caused by conditions as described in Government Code section 8558(b); and

21 **WHEREAS**, a further required condition of Government Code section 54953(e) is that state or
22 local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or, the legislative
23 body holds a meeting to determine or has determined by a majority vote that meeting in person would
24 present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

25 **WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of
26 Emergency declaring a state of emergency exists in California due to the threat of COVID-19, pursuant to
27 the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code section 8625); and,

28 **WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-07-21, which

1 formally rescinded the Stay-at-Home Order (Executive Order N-33-20), as well as the framework for a
2 gradual, risk-based reopening of the economy (Executive Order N-60-20, issued on May 4, 2020) but did
3 not rescind the proclaimed state of emergency; and,

4 **WHEREAS**, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom also issued Executive Order N-08-21, which
5 set expiration dates for certain paragraphs of the State of Emergency Proclamation dated March 4, 2020
6 and other Executive Orders but did not rescind the proclaimed state of emergency; and,

7 **WHEREAS**, as of the date of this Findings, neither the Governor nor the state Legislature have
8 exercised their respective powers pursuant to Government Code section 8629 to lift the state of
9 emergency either by proclamation or by concurrent Findings the state Legislature; and,

10 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Industrial Relations has issued regulations related to
11 COVID-19 Prevention for employees and places of employment. Title 8 of the California Code of
12 Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D) specifically recommends physical (social) distancing as one of the
13 measures to decrease the spread of COVID-19 based on the fact that particles containing the virus can
14 travel more than six feet, especially indoors; and,

15 **WHEREAS**, the COMMISSION ON AGING finds that state or local officials have imposed or
16 recommended measures to promote social distancing, based on the California Department of Industrial
17 Relations' issuance of regulations related to COVID-19 Prevention through Title 8 of the California Code
18 of Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D); and,

19 **WHEREAS**, as a consequence, the COMMISSION ON AGING does hereby find that it shall
20 conduct its meetings by teleconferencing without compliance with Government Code section 54953
21 (b)(3), pursuant to Section 54953(e), and that such legislative bodies shall comply with the requirements
22 to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed by Government Code section 54953(e)(2).

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27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND AND ORDERED** by the COMMISSION
28 ON AGING, County of Tuolumne, State of California, in regular session assembled on December 13,

2021 does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. All of the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated into this Findings by this reference.

Section 2. State or Local Officials Have Imposed or Recommended Measures to Promote Social Distancing. The COMMISSION ON AGING hereby proclaims that state officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social (physical) distancing based on the California Department of Industrial Relations' issuance of regulations related to COVID-19 Prevention through Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 3205(5)(D).

Section 3. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The COMMISSION ON AGING is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of these Findings including, conducting open and public meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Section 4. Effective Date. These Findings shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) January 12, 2022 or (ii) such time the COMMISSION ON AGING adopts a subsequent Findings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which its legislative bodies may continue to teleconference without compliance with Section 54953(b)(3).

ADOPTED this 13th day of December, 2021 by COMMISSION ON AGING by the following vote:

YES:

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Attested by Malcolm Carden, Recording Secretary, COA