

RESOLUTION NO. 443

WHEREAS: The Advisory Commission on Aging (formerly known as Senior Citizens Advisory Board) was created by Council Resolution No. 62 adopted September 27, 1971; and

WHEREAS: Numerous public and private agencies planning for and implementing services to the elderly have expressed a need for a body authorized to receive and distribute information, and to promote cooperative overall planning and evaluation of services; and

WHEREAS: The United Way Gerontology Committee, whose membership comprises representatives of these agencies as well as consumers, have studied and reached an agreement with the Advisory Commission on Aging on the respective functions of the two bodies; and

WHEREAS: The Northern Virginia Area Agency on Aging has in the past year emphasized local planning and looks to local Commissions on Aging for proposals for the use of Older American Act and other federal funds; and

WHEREAS: The Advisory Commission on Aging now has the advantage of staffing by the Senior Citizens Coordinator; and

WHEREAS: The Advisory Commission on Aging has increasingly come to see its primary function as that of promoting cooperation and information flow among city staff, public and private agency staff, volunteers and the Northern Virginia Area Agency on Aging for the purpose of identifying needs of the elderly, developing overall planning to meet those needs, and evaluation of service delivery plans as implemented; and

WHEREAS: This proposed resolution amplifies but in no way conflicts with Resolution 62 as it concerns councils charge to the Commission
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA

1. That the name Advisory Commission on Aging be changed to Commission on Aging.
2. The Alexandria Advisory Commission on Aging shall be charged to participate in and contribute to the development of an Annual Plan for the Delivery of Services to Senior Citizens. The AACA shall submit along with the City Manager's annual request for action a report with the approval of the whole commission. This report may contain a minority as well as the majority opinion of the Annual Plan for the Delivery of Services.
3. The Alexandria Advisory Commission on Aging shall be charged to review and recommend proposals and plans for the use of resources for the delivery of services to Senior Citizens by the following:

- a. Area Agency on Aging
 - b. Title VII Nutrition Site
 - c. Parks and Recreation Department
 - d. Planning and Community Development Office
 - e. Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority
 - f. Concentrated Employment Program
 - g. Equal Opportunity Commission
 - h. Department of Social Services
 - i. Public Health Advisory Commission
 - j. Alexandria Mental Health and Retardation Services Board
 - k. Alexandria Committee on Health Centers
 - l. Private Social Services Agencies and other appropriate groups
4. The Commission on Aging shall be charged to share; for review, comment and recommendation; with the above mentioned departments and offices the Annual Plan for the Delivery of Services to Senior Citizens. Comments and recommendations received shall be incorporated into the Annual Plan.
 5. The Commission on Aging shall participate in evaluating the delivery of services and report on it to Council.
 6. The Commission on Aging shall provide the opportunity for citizens and organizations public and private to submit recommendations and requests for endorsement, and to register complaints to AACA at any regularly scheduled meeting of AACA providing that not less than 7 days notice has been given to chairperson.
 7. The Commission on Aging shall, when appropriate, convene meetings of non-member citizen volunteers and public and private agency staff to study and make recommendations concerning specific needs of the elderly.

The organization and membership of the Commission on Aging shall be as follows:

1. The AACA shall be composed of 15 members
 - a. Nine members shall be citizen at large representatives
 - b. Six members shall be ex-officio members representative of the following groups and organizations:
 - one member from CASCO (over 60)
 - one member from the United Way of Alexandria Board of Directors
 - one member representing the Federation of Civic Associations
 - one Title VII Nutrition Site Council Representative (over 60)
 - one member representing the Board of Senior Citizens Employment and Services Ministerial Association, one member
 - c. Not fewer than 8 members of AACA shall be 60 or over

2. AACA shall be structured with the following officers and standing committees

- a. Officers:

Chairperson	elected by
Vice Chairperson	2/3 of
Secretary	whole commission

3. The Chairperson and the officers shall draw up and present by-laws to the Commission membership for approval no later than 60 days after the approval of the new commission by the City Council. The Chairperson and officers shall present by-laws to the Commission membership that will allow for flexibility and for non-voting service agency staff to participate.
4. The Commission on Aging shall form such standing committees as are appropriate to the carrying out of its work.
5. Representation on the Northern Virginia Advisory Commission on Aging from the City of Alexandria:

The Northern Virginia Advisory Council representative from Alexandria shall be a member of the commission selected by the commission by a majority vote of those members present at an official meeting and submitted to City Council for approval.

The commission representative to Northern Virginia Advisory Council shall present reports and summaries of its activities.

The commission representative to Northern Virginia Advisory Council shall collect information from other Alexandrians serving on its sub-committees and present such information to the commission at regular scheduled meetings.

The Commission on Aging shall assist in promoting participation by Alexandrians on the Northern Virginia Advisory Council on Aging and its sub-committees.

6. The Commission shall submit to council, as necessary, reports on its activities. Its reports shall include:

Recommendation to accompany City Manager's Report for Council action to implement the Social Services Delivery Plan.

Summary report of evaluation of the implementation of the Social Services Delivery Plan at the end of first 6 months of a program year and at the end of a program year.

Written response as requested by Council, concerning docket items that have an effect on the lives and/or the quality of life of the Senior Citizens of Alexandria.

Adopted November 25, 1975

Mrs. Helen Holléman, Clerk of the
City of Alexandria, Virginia