

Sec. 81-50. **Senior Advisory Board.**

(a) **Established.** There shall be and is hereby established a senior advisory board which shall have the primary responsibility of serving as an advisory group to city council with regard to the quality of life in the city for older adults, and to the provision of services for this age group.

(b) **Membership.** The board shall consist of seven (7) citizens of Lafayette, who shall be appointed by the city council. A city employee appointed by the city administrator shall serve as a nonvoting staff liaison to the board.

(c) **Term.** All appointments to the board shall be for a period of three (3) years. The board may recruit and recommend nominees to city council for appointment. Vacancies on the board shall be filled for the unexpired term by city council appointment as soon as possible. A member of the board shall not receive a salary or other compensation for services as a board member, but necessary traveling and subsistence expenses actually incurred may be paid from the general fund. City council may, upon recommendation of the board, appoint up to two (2) alternate members, which member(s) shall be called upon to serve and vote in the absence of a regular member(s), and the board may recommend any alternate member for appointment by council to a vacant position. Board members serve at the pleasure of city council.

(d) **Powers and duties.** The board shall:

- (1) Adopt bylaws, rules and regulations for its guidance and government.
- (2) Prepare and submit to city council a plan for the enhancement of the quality of life of older adults living in the city, and as necessary amend the plan.
- (3) Review the annual senior services budget request.
- (4) Monitor gifts of money which shall be segregated in the accounting records of the city or property or endowments as may be granted to and accepted for senior services purposes and to encourage grants, or gifts, in support of senior services.
- (5) Adopt policies that provide for the provision of senior services. Such policies shall be effective upon adoption or at the time specified in the policy, unless and until city council disapproves of the policy. The senior advisory board shall promptly submit any adopted policy to city council for its review.
- (6) Review the qualifications of all final candidates for the staff position directly administering senior services.
- (7) Recommend to city council local legislation and policies that will encourage the inclusion of older adults in the community and support their needs.

(Ord. No. 2006-40, § 1, 9-19-06; Ord. No. 2011-04, § 6, 2-1-11; Ord. No. 2011-33, § 5, 9-20-11)