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Sustainability Commission review of the Communities for All Ages Checklist
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The Sustainability Commission reviewed the Communities for All Ages Checklist, and selected items for attention going forward. The items selected may include tasks appropriate for the Sustainability Commission, the Parks and Recreation Commission, City staff, or other groups. Sharing them on this list simply indicates an interest and perceived need for the community.

Section 1 - Public Outdoor Spaces and Buildings

- Improve the entrance to City Hall for safety.
- Improve City Hall's interior accessibility.
- Provide additional outdoor seating.

Section 2 - Housing and Commercial Development

- Determine the City's role in communicating the availability on existing housing options.
- Formalize and/or communicate the crime prevention activities and services that are available.
- Encourage Universal Design concepts with local developers.
- Consider adding Universal Design concepts to the existing Sustainability Scorecard for commercial and multi-development.

Section 3 - Transportation and Mobility

- Collect Older driver protection, pedestrian safety. Data Information about where in the city is dangerous for pedestrians and where is it safe.
- Continue existing attention to bike- and pedestrian-friendly initiatives.
- Celebrate improvements on transit. Check for gaps in service.
- Reconfigured Johnson Drive with 3-lanes would address remaining issues of safety and mobility in Mission's downtown.
- Reviewing ADA accommodations in streets would be helpful. There are some missing crosswalks, and for example, a crosswalk on Martway leads to a straight curb.
- Transportation alternatives - make sure all ages are informed about alternatives that exist.
- Ensure connections to and from transit stops.

Section 4 - Social Inclusion, Communication and Participation

- Create a communications plan. The plan would identify audiences, how they receive information, how we reach out to them, and what the messages should be.
- Include a strategy in the communication plan about how to include those of various ages in decision making process.
- Improve communication of the transportation options available to all residents.

- Consider social inclusion as a community. Identify the best partners for working to minimize the risk of this issue.
- Experiment with how to promote events and get wider participation. Measure results.
- Work with partners to work on supporting independence of non-drivers.
- Examine privacy laws for older adults, ensure compliance and support initiatives to improve.

Section 5 - Civic Participation and Employment

- Opportunities exist for volunteering, but could be more streamlined. Promotion of new Adopt-a-Park and Adopt-a-Street programs should be a priority.
- A volunteer recognition program could be added to provide more structure and publicity for local volunteering.

Section 6 - Community and Health Services

- Partner with public health agencies to better communicate health screening and other offerings to residents as part of the City's communication plan.
- Target immunization rates as a specific public health goal.
- Take advantage of local resources surrounding the issues of smoking cessation.
- Partner with local grocery stores that have a dietitian on staff.
- Maintain focus on the farmers market as a current strength for local and healthy food.