

APPROVED
BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JUL 31 2001 *gg/ala*

RESOLUTION

of the

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

regarding

DISSOLVING THE ORANGE COUNTY INTERIM COMMISSION ON AGING; CREATING A PERMANENT ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING A SUNSET DATE

Resolution No. 2001-M-27

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2000, County Chairman Mel Martinez created an Interim Commission on Aging, "the interim commission," which was charged with evaluating the conditions for senior citizens in this community and recommending strategies to improve their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the work of the interim commission culminated with recommendations which were received and accepted by the Board of County Commissioners on March 6, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners now desires to create a permanent Commission on Aging:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Dissolution of Interim Commission. The Orange County Interim Commission on Aging, created on July 12, 2000, is declared to have fulfilled its charge and is hereby dissolved.

SECTION 2. Creation of the Orange County Commission on Aging; Purpose. A

permanent commission on aging, to be known as “The Orange County Commission on Aging” (hereinafter “Commission”), is hereby created for the purpose of improving the quality of life for older adults, their families and their caregivers in Orange County.

To accomplish this purpose, the Commission shall oversee the implementation of the recommendations of the Interim Commission; shall provide a direct link to elder residents and the agencies dedicated to helping seniors age in a self-selected setting; shall focus on the coordination of public and private resources for elder services; shall advance elder issues in our community; shall serve as a catalyst for coordinated community responses to the needs of older adults, their families and their caregivers; shall collaborate with other organizations, including state and municipal governments, philanthropic organizations and other sectors of the community, in joint planning of services for older adults, their families and their caregivers; and shall provide technical assistance, including the development of alternative non-governmental funding sources, for service provider agencies and organizations.

SECTION 3. Membership.

(a) The membership of the Commission shall consist of fourteen members appointed by the Orange County Board of County Commissioners, all of whom must be eligible for appointment under Orange County Code Section 2-206. The initial appointments shall be as follows: The following four (4) members shall be appointed for a term ending June 30, 2002:

1. Mary Casey, citizen-at-large representative;
2. Dr. Steven Colón, faith community representative;
3. Ann Manley, foundation representative; and
4. Gloria Stephens, citizen-at-large representative.

The following six (6) members shall be appointed for a term ending June 30, 2003:

1. Patty Ashmore, foundation representative;
2. Patricia Montgomery, citizen-at-large representative;
3. Bill Schneeman, transportation representative;
4. Barbara Stuart, media representative;
5. Dr. Belinda R. McCarthy, education representative; and
6. The Honorable Mary I. Johnson, County Commissioner representative.

The following three (3) members shall be appointed for a term ending June 30, 2004:

1. Richard Morrison, health care representative;
2. Peter Chamberlain, business representative; and
3. Aliette Scharr, citizen-at-large representative.

Thereafter, all members shall be appointed for two-year terms.

Every effort shall be made to ensure the member composition of the Commission consists of representatives from the following industries: business, faith, health care, transportation, media/public relations, education, and local foundations. In addition, four (4) positions shall be reserved as citizen-at-large positions and one position for a sitting Orange County Commissioner. Providers with a focus on elder services and programs should be encouraged to participate on the working committees of the Commission. The Commission on Aging shall also include a permanent, non-voting ex-officio position for the CEO of the local Area Agency on Aging. In addition, a second non-voting ex-officio position for the previous Chairman of the Interim Commission is hereby established for a period of two years, expiring on June 30, 2003.

The members and ex-officio members of the Commission shall serve without compensation. No reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with the duties performed by Commission

members shall be made unless approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

SECTION 4. Meetings.

- (a) The Commission shall hold meetings as needed to fulfill its duties but, at a minimum, shall hold at least four (4) meetings each calendar year.
- (b) A majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum.
- (c) All meetings shall be open to the public.
- (d) The Commission may adopt such other rules for its proceedings and operations as it deems necessary.

SECTION 5. Officers. The Commission shall have authority to elect such officers, including a chairperson or co-chairpersons, and promulgate such internal procedures and rules as may be necessary to conduct the business and affairs of the Commission.

SECTION 6. Commission Duties; Submission of Plan of Service.

(a) The Commission shall collect information and data on the needs of and services for elders, their families and caregivers in Orange County; shall assist agencies in Orange County Government in assessing the needs and services related to elders, their families and their caregivers; shall render advice and recommendations on services to elders, their families and caregivers; shall analyze the elder-readiness of Orange County, including its services, businesses, and other matters as the Commission considers pertinent to the welfare of older adults, their families and their caregivers; and shall cause to be prepared, and shall submit to the Board of County Commissioners by March 1 of each year, a plan of service for and on behalf of elders, their families and caregivers in Orange County.

(b) The Board of County Commissioners shall formally receive the annual plan, shall request any additions or modifications as it may deem appropriate, and shall adopt, modify or

reject the plan in whole or in part as it considers proper or necessary.

SECTION 7. Effective Date; Sunset. This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of passage by the Board of County Commissioners and shall sunset on December 31, 2007, unless the Board of County Commissioners adopts or re-adopts an enabling resolution for the Commission.

ADOPTED THIS 31st DAY OF July, 2001.

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Board of County Commissioners

BY: Richard T. Crotty
Richard T. Crotty
County Chairman

DATE: 7-31-01

ATTEST: Martha O. Haynie, County Comptroller
As Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

By: Martha O. Haynie
Deputy Clerk

