Call to Order:
Co-chair Diane Lawrence called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

Roll Call:
Present: Diane Lawrence, Commissioner Neil Sims, Commissioner Edna James, Commissioner Richard Ow, Patti Spaniak, Anne Kirushkin

Absent: Cathy Russo, Anne Warren

Guests: Bettye Hammond, Leon Schmidt, Anna Maria Pierini

Staff: Rick Appleby (DAAS)

Approval of Agenda:
On motion, members unanimously approved the March 15 Agenda

Approval of Minutes:
On motion, members unanimously approved the 11/16/16, 1/18/17 and 2/15/2017 Minutes as edited. Mr. Appleby to make corrections as approved.

Legislative Reports/Rick Appleby
1) CA Welfare Directors Association: Next meeting on March 17.
2) Supervisor Yee held a hearing on March 9 about the 2016 DAAS Audit and services to seniors and people with disabilities. The Audit was reviewed, DAAS Executive Director Shireen McSpadden responded and covered DAAS services, and Parks and Recreation described the senior programs they provide. Public comment was long and well attended.

3) In-Home Supportive Services Maintenance of Effort (MOE) issue: governor terminated the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI) which would end the MOE and send millions of dollars back to localities for IHSS services. Advocates and localities responding that the amount of monies needed at the local level would be too large. Positions include keeping CCI as is or negotiating a graduated end of the MOE. On motion, members unanimously approved a recommendation to the Advisory Council to send a letter in
support of the CWDA’s position to keep CCI, pending the opinion of CWDA at next meeting and other leaders.

CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE
- March 15: Assembly Budget Committee on Health and Human Services will address CSL funding budget ask.
- Senior Rally Day is Thursday, May 11, 2017

NEW BUSINESS:
Commissioner Ow asked what our local representatives are doing for seniors and people with disabilities, and suggested we meet with them: Chiu, Weiner and Ting. Diane suggested a subcommittee of she and Rick meet to discuss how to plan such a forum. Commissioner James suggested members visit their Representatives with some notes for discussion. Commissioner Ow suggested top 5 issues to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS:
An email was sent to the city Attorney with information about the role of the Advisory Council in relationship to the Commission. Commissioner James suggested we take the issue to the Ethics Committee as well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Mr. Appleby noted that Jeff Kovitsky, Director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, would speak at the Long Term Care Coordinating Council in April. Meeting is open to the public. Rick will send information when the LTCCC agenda comes out.

NEXT JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:
The next meeting is April 19, 2017, 9am, Golden Gate Conference Room

Meeting was ADJOURNED at 10:00 am