

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES MINUTES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024, 5:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET

PRESENT: Chair John Krick, Vice Chair Tola Perkins, and Commissioners Shelly

Dunston, Tedra Trimm, Gilbert Lee, Debora Mickelson, Tim Hennessey,

Sandy Tarmo, and Leah Stuart

ABSENT: Commissioner Byrn Pellegrino

STAFF PRESENT: Fred Tobar and Joshua Monzon

Chair Krick convened the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no one wishing to address the Commission.

PRESENTATION

RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM PRO HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Following discussion and with formal motion, the Commission received and ordered filed the presentation from Pro Health and Wellness.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Commissioner Trimm and seconded by Commissioner Tarmo to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the action appropriate to the item. The motion was carried with Commissioner Pellegrino absent.

MINUTES

The minutes for the meetings of September and October 2024, were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE REVISED DRAFT OF THE 2025 ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

Following review and discussion of the revised draft, it was motioned by Commissioner Tarmo and seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve the revised draft of the 2025 Annual Work Plan for the Commission on Disabilities, with the aforementioned edits



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COMMUNICATIONS

UPDATES ON CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND REGIONAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COMMISSIONERS

Chair Krick shared that he enjoyed the Commission trip to Gable Farms that occurred on November 16th, 2024.

Commissioner Tarmo thanked Commissioner Krick and Commissioner Lee for their help at the Riverside Airport's Trunk or Treat Event on October 19th. Commissioner Tarmo expressed her enjoyment of the event.

Commissioner Mickelson discussed a concern she had with the Riverside County's Office on Aging on how their phone calls are being routed. She also discussed how the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number can help people with mental illness and families that have difficult times during the holiday season. She attended a State event - Transforming California's Behavioral Health System (Prop 1 and CARE Act) which addressed people with severe mental illness.

Commissioner Lee gave a presentation on the "Yes to More Life Program" he is involved with to Amelia Earhart Middle School on November 12th. On Tuesday, November 19th "Mark From Riverside" presented a video on Commissioner Lee's "Yes to More Life" program on TikTok.

Commissioner Trimm discussed Michael's Place, a bakery and café that focuses on training and employing individuals with intellectual disabilities. She also attended an Inland Empire Disability Employment Business Roundtable to discuss working towards getting the private sector more involved with getting more employment for individuals with disabilities in Riverside.

UPDATES FROM THE RESOURCE GUIDE AD HOC COMMITTEE

Staff member Fred Tobar shared updates on the resource guide brochure and that there will be an email sent out shortly with updates.

UPDATES FROM THE COMMUNITY EVENT AD HOC COMMITTEE



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Commissioner Trimm said there has not been a meeting since the last one and is planning on setting up another meeting.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

Commissioner Mickelson and Commissioner Stuart requested to have a guest speaker from 211.

Chairman Krick adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua Monzon and Fred Tobar

Joshua Monzon and Fred Tobar Administrative Analysts