



COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

DRAFT MINUTES

Monday, April 4, 2016

5:30 PM

FIFTH FLOOR LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL,
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, 92522
GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, 951-826-5427

MISSION STATEMENT

“The mission of the Commission on Disabilities is to promote greater awareness of, respect for, and the total participation of individuals with disabilities into all aspects of life.”

State law restricts the Commission on Disabilities from taking action on an item unless it has been included on an agenda and posted at least 72 hours in advance of a meeting or unless the matter falls within one of the narrow exceptions. Consequently, any item not listed on this agenda will normally have to be delayed until the item can be made part of a posted agenda.

CALL TO ORDER: 5:45 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Roll Call: Chairperson Vivian Stancil, , Keith Nelson, Sharron Lewis, Richard Olquin, Vivian Foust, Gregory Alexander, Antha Ward.

ABSENT: Robin Treen (unexcused), Lisa Miller (excused), Marsha Gonzalez (excused)

Also present was ADA Coordinator Monique Gordon.

2. **Introductions and Public Comment Period** - This is the portion of the meeting specifically set aside to invite your comments regarding any matter within the Commission's jurisdiction. Individual audience participation is limited to 3 minutes.

- a. Mr. Richard Gardner was in attendance. His wife passed away from Alzheimers disease at 59 years old. He announced that Riverside was a “Dementia Friendly City”. A symposium series has started and the first was called “Dementia 101” and was held in Council Chambers on March 17, 2016 in Council Chambers. He is looking for a collaborative effort to get people involved. Next will be on May 19 at 5:30 pm He requested support for a respite event “A Night of Hope and Joy at the Janet Goeske Center on April 12, 2016 between 6-8 pm, the 2nd Tuesday each month.
- b. Shelly Zeliac was in attendance in support of Mr. Gardner.

3. Update: COD Report to Council

The COD met to collarborate on the report to Council. The report to City Council has been rescheduled to October 25, 2016.

The current draft will be reviewed by the COD at the regular May 2, 2016 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:45 pm

The next regularly scheduled Commission on Disabilities meeting is Monday, May 2, 2016 at 5:30 pm.