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# Commission on Disabilities

**TO: COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES** **DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**  
**FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT** **WARD: ALL**  
**SUBJECT: PRESENTATION FROM AQUAMOTION ABILITY FOUNDATION**

**ISSUE:**

Receive a presentation from Aquamotion Ability Foundation

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Commission on Disabilities receive a presentation from Aquamotion Ability Foundation

**BACKGROUND:**

The Commission on Disabilities' (COD) mission is to identify the needs of persons with disabilities and create a public awareness of these needs in the areas of employment, housing, transportation, media, and physical and communication accessibility. The mission also supports programs and activities that promote greater independence for people with disabilities.

**DISCUSSION:**

The mission of Aquamotion Ability Foundation is to provide educational and recreational resources and activities that promote the health and well-being of senior citizens and disabled individuals. Aquamotion Ability Foundation is committed to providing water aerobics programs and specialized courses that are accessible to both senior citizens and disabled individuals at a reduced cost or free of charge depending on specific ailment and financial situation. Aquamotion Ability Foundation continues to advocate for additional funding from various community donors and grants from governmental organizations and nonprofits.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

This presentation contributes to the City's Strategic Priority No. 2 *Community Well-Being* and Goal No. 2.5 – Foster relationships between community members, partner organizations and public safety professionals to define, prioritize, and address community safety and social service needs.

This presentation aligns with the Cross-Cutting threads as follows:

1. **Community Trust** – The presentation from Aquamotion Ability Foundation promotes community trust by providing educational and recreational resources and activities for individuals with disabilities that eliminates barriers and promotes social inclusion.
2. **Equity** – The presentation from Aquamotion Ability Foundation provides equal opportunities for people with disabilities by providing educational and recreational resources and activities that promote equal opportunity and understanding.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – This item is neutral towards this Cross-Cutting Thread.
4. **Innovation** – The presentation from Aquamotion Ability Foundation seeks partnerships with a variety of stakeholders and community members to provide a wide range of educational and recreational services that individuals with disabilities can utilize.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – The presentation from Aquamotion Ability Foundation advocates for people with disabilities by providing educational and recreational resources and activities that promote a sense of community and equality.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment: Presentation