



City of Arts & Innovation

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES MINUTES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 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, Byrn Pellegrino, and Sandy Tarmo

ABSENT: Commissioner Tim Hennessey

STAFF PRESENT: Fred Tobar

Chair Krick convened the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no one wishing to address the Commission.

PRESENTATION

RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM AQUAMOTION ABILITY FOUNDATION

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Commission received and ordered filed the presentation from the United Cerebral Palsy of the inland Empire.

RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – COMMUNITY RELATIONS SERVICES

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Commission received and ordered filed the presentation from the Department of Justice – Community Relations Services.

RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM LEAH STUART WITH THE AUTISM CERTIFIED CITY INITIATIVE

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Commission received and ordered filed the presentation from the Autism Certified City Initiative.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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



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MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of August 2024, were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

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

Following review and discussion, it was motioned by Commissioner Tarmo and seconded by Commissioner Trimm to include the recommended changes to the 2025 Annual Work Plan for the Commission on Disabilities.

COMMUNICATIONS

UPDATES ON CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND REGIONAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Mickelson shared that she had visited the Community Access Center located in Riverside to learn more about the RAMP Program, which provides free accessibility ramps to low-income individuals with disabilities who require a ramp to enter their home.

Commissioner Mickelson also shared her visit to the Office on Aging, located at Mission Grove and Central, where she encountered difficulty locating the office due to a lack of signage. Commissioner Mickelson plans to reach out to the Advisory Council on Aging to recommend improvements for improved navigation and public access.

Commissioner Tarmo shared that she visited Therapeutic Riding Therapy Services, a nonprofit organization that specializes in therapeutic riding for individuals with disabilities.

Commissioner Lee shared that he had attended an educational tour of the Police Station, hosted by Police Chief Gonzalez

Commissioner Lee also shared that he had attended a facility tour of the City's Homeless Access Center and learned about the services and resources that are available to homeless individuals.



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Chair Krick shared that he had visited the Office on Aging in San Bernardino and had also found it difficult to get a hold of someone.

UPDATES ON THE AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE EVENT

Commissioner Trimm shared that the Event Ad Hoc Committee held a meeting this past week and will focus on creating a contact list made up of disability resources and organizations that can be used as an invitation/resource list for future Commission events and correspondence.

UPDATES ON THE AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE RESOURCE GUIDE

Staff member Fred Tobar shared updates on the progress of all marketing material as well as plans regarding the Janet Goeske Health Fair on October 2nd.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

There are no items for future Commission on Disabilities consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Tobar

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