



Minutes  
City of Sacramento  
Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission

**COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

Vacant	David Bain	Robert Benson
Dawn Correia	Lester Finch, Jr.	Dan Kysor
Jeff Thom	Evangeline Skierka	Jessica Springer

**CITY STAFF:**

*Ken Fleming, Office of Civil Rights Manager  
Neal Albritton, Citywide ADA Coordinator  
Obi Agha, Program Specialist*

*New City Hall  
915 I Street, 1st Floor - Conference Room 1104  
March 18, 2010 - 6:00 P.M.*

*The Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission is an advisory board of the City Council with review and recommendation authority. Its purpose is to advise regarding compliance with federal and state disability laws; review policies, programs and activities that affect persons with disabilities; recommend procedures regarding reasonable accommodation; provide information, referral and technical assistance in matters pertaining to disabilities; and liaison with the City's ADA Coordinator.*

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## MINUTES

March 18, 2010

*New City Hall*

*915 I Street - 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Conference Room 1104*

*(Enter from H Street side or Plaza Entrance  
between Historic and New City Halls)*

All items listed are heard and acted upon by the Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission unless otherwise noted.

### Call to Order - 6:00 p.m.

**Roll Call of Members:** Regular session called to order by Chair David Bain at 6:10 PM on Thursday, March 18, 2010. Meeting was held at New City Hall, Conference Room 1104. The roll call of members was also carried out by Mr. Bain.

**Present:** Bain, Correia, Finch, Skierka, Springer.

**Absent:** Benson, Kysor, Thom

**Commission Staff:** Neal Albritton, City of Sacramento, Office of Civil Rights  
Obi Agha, City of Sacramento, Office of Civil Rights

**Presenters:** None

**Guest:** None

**Agenda Review:** The record reflects that no changes to the March 18, 2010 agenda were made.

### Discussion / Action Reports

Discussion or action reports include oral presentations including those recommending receive and file.

#### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 1, 2010

**Recommendation:** Approve Commission minutes.

**Contact:** Obi Agha, Program Specialist, (916) 808-8426, Human Resources Department.

**Action:** Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Lester and Correia

**Yes:** Bain, Correia, Finch, Skierka, Springer

**No:** None

2. **Abstain:** None

#### 3. Update on Current Accessibility Program and Activities

**Recommendation:** Receive and file or provide advice.

**Contact:** Neal Albritton, ADA Coordinator, (916) 808-8795, Human Resources Department.

- Staff reported attending the Personnel & Public Employees (P&PE) Committee meeting held on March 2, 2010 at the City Council Chamber to review applications for the boards/commissions, including the Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission (DAC). One of the two applicants was approved by the P&PE Committee and forwarded to the Mayor for one appointment. Staff had no information as to when the appointment is scheduled to occur.
- Neal updated the Commissioners on the upcoming Certified Access Specialist Program (CASp) training. The training is scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2010. Over 30 staff representing various departments have been confirmed to attend. Commissioner Springer, will also attend.
- Neal informed the DAC about the City's proposed APS policy that was recently approved by DOT and is ready for implementation.
- Neal invited the DAC to help review and provide feedback as needed regarding City policies relating to people with disabilities, public access, and/or Website accessibility. A copy of the City's Reasonable Accommodation API (API-11) will be shared with the DAC at a later date for feedback.
- Staff reported that the Cars on K Street slated to be presented at today's DAC meeting (3/18/10) has been postponed. The Economic Department (ED) staff indicated that it would be premature to return to the Commission as the project details have not been defined. ED staff did provide a written brief report which was read by Neal Albritton.
- The highlight text of Denise Malvetti, Economic Development Department report are as follows:
  - a) Vehicular traffic has been cited as one technique that can generate additional economic development and increase vibrancy.
  - b) The project purpose is to increase access and visibility to businesses, promote a safe environment and stimulate additional economic activity [K Street was once the bustling core of downtown, and, since cars were removed in the late 1960s the vibrancy has diminished. Over the past decade, several other cities have reintroduced cars to their pedestrian malls and have had great success in stimulating business].
  - c) In June 2009, the City Council approved a contract with DKS Associates to examine the feasibility of reintroducing cars to K Street. The feasibility study included both outreach and technical components. The City hosted two focus groups for stakeholders, conducted one community meeting and did outreach to interested parties including the Downtown Sacramento Partnership and the Disability Advisory Commission. The technical study concluded that cars can be reintroduced to K Street with modifications to design and signalization to ensure pedestrian safety and on-time trains.
  - d) **Next Steps:**
    - On April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2010, staff will recommend that City Council reallocates fund from the Economic Development Capital Improvement Project Transportation Funds (EDCIP) and from the Central City Two Way Conversion Project for the design and construction of the initial phase.
    - The second action will be to approve a supplemental agreement with DKS for 35% Design Documentation. The 35% design contract would start the development of the project details, feasibility, benefits and challenges.
    - Staff would work with the consultant and stakeholders to refine the details of the project. Staff will return to the DAC during the development of the design and will also return to Council to get approval for 100% construction documents once we have further project definition.

#### **Public Comments - Matters Not on the Agenda**

4. There were no comments from the public.

**Commission Ideas, Questions and Announcements**

- a. Commissioner Skierka encouraged her peers to continue to seek opportunities to do independent project, and to not depend solely on staff presentations, as long as it is in alignment with the purposes, powers and the duties of the Commission. Ms. Skierka, then read the Sections 2.53.030 (Purpose of Commission) and 2.53.040 (Powers and duties of Commission). The Commissioners agreed, but emphasized that several policies, programs and activities have been successfully promulgated by the Commission thru projects that come before the DAC.
- b. The Commissioners requested that staff send a copy of the DAC Ordinance and a copy of the DAC Strategic Planning Document for their review and discussion at the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**5. Issues for Future Meetings**

- a. Proposed Cars on K Street project update.
- b. Update on the draft Policy on the Automatic Pedestrian Signal (APS)

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM. Moved / Seconded: Commissioners Correia / Finch.

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David Bain, Chair

Attest:

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Commission Clerk-Secretary

Obi Agha, Program Specialist  
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