



Minutes

City of Sacramento
Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Darlene Anderson	David Bain, Chair	Joan Barden
Dawn Correia	Debra Finch	Tina Johnson
Walter Johnson Jr.	Evangeline Skierka	Jessica Springer, Vice Chair

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
November 7, 2011 - 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.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

You are welcomed and encouraged to participate in this meeting. Public comment is taken (3 minutes maximum) on items listed on the agenda when they are called. Public Comment on items not listed on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting as noted on the agenda. Comments on controversial items may be limited and large groups are encouraged to select 3-5 speakers to represent the opinion of the group.

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MINUTES

November 7, 2011

*New City Hall
915 I Street - 1st 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 Commissioner Bain at 6:01 PM on Monday, November 7, 2011. Meeting was held at the New City Hall, Conference Room 1104. The roll call of members was also carried out by Commissioner Bain.

Present: Anderson, Bain, Barden, Finch, Skierka, Springer.

Absent: Correia, T. Johnson, and W. Johnson Jr.

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

Presenters: N/A

Guest: N/A

Agenda Review: Commissioner Bain reviewed the order of the Agenda. The Agenda order was not changed.

Discussion / Action Reports

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 3, AND OCTOBER 20, 2011

Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes.

Contact: Obi Agha, Program Specialist, (916) 808-8426 or Neal Albritton, ADA Coordinator, (916) 808-8795, Office of Civil Rights, Human Resources Department.

The Commission approved the meeting minutes of October 3, 2011

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Barden and Anderson

Yes: Anderson, Bain, Barden, Springer, Skierka

No: N/A

Abstain: Finch

Absent: Correia, Johnson and Johnson Jr.

The Commission approved the meeting minutes of October 20, 2011

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Finch and Barden
Yes: Anderson, Bain, Barden, Finch, Springer, Skierka
No: N/A

Absent: Correia, T. Johnson and W. Johnson Jr.

2. UPDATE ON CURRENT ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Recommendation: Receive and file or provide advice. (Refer to list on Page 5 of this Agenda for additional information)

Staff investigated the door pressure of the first-floor men's restroom at New City Hall in response to an inquiry by a former DAC Commissioner. Staff checked the entry doors of both the men's and women's restrooms and reported findings to the DAC. At the time of investigation the following was noted:

- (a) Door pressure leading to the Men's restroom was 4lbs which is code compliant. 5lbs is the maximum allowed (pressure/closer-effort to operate) an exterior or interior door. Staff will check, as followup to a separate inquiry, the latching mechanism at the compartment door of the accessible water closet of the men's restroom to see if it is broken.
- (b) Door pressure to the women's restroom was non-compliant with 8lbs (pressure/closer-effort) which exceeds the maximum 5lbs. Staff has submitted a work order to have the door pressure adjusted.

Other Activities:

- Staff (Neal Albritton) is working on the Reverse 911 project to enhance emergency response services to people with disabilities and the Senior community. In an effort to expand outreach, he is collaborating monthly with the County's Emergency Preparedness for People with Access and Functional Needs Committee.
- Staff (Obi Agha) confirmed that Greg Sandlund from City Community Development Department will update the DAC on Universal Design Ordinance December 15, 2011.
- Staff (Obi Agha) asked DAC about any interest in having their traditional end-of-year Holiday get-together. DAC will continue to discuss at the next meeting for ideas.

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda

4. None

Commission Ideas, Questions and Announcements

5. ISSUES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Commissioner Bain reported that he had written a letter (as a private citizen) to the management of the KVIE television network expressing concern over the late night (time slot) airing of the PBS special documentary on the disability rights movement- "Lives Worth Living".

Other items covered are as follows:

- Universal Design Ordinance update scheduled for December 15, 2011
- Commissioners elected to cancel January 2, 2011 since it conflicted with a City Holiday

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM. Moved / Seconded: Commissioners Barden /Johnson Jr.

David Bain, Chair

Attest:

Commission Clerk-Secretary

Obi Agha, Program Specialist
Equal Opportunity / ADA Program

Status of City Accessibility Programs and Activities (for reference)	
Program/Activity:	Status: [as listed below, or will be discussed at the meeting]
1. Council Awards Presentation for Stellar Efforts Relating to Accessibility.	Presented during the October 4, 2011 Council Meeting
2. Website content addressing quarterly recognition of individuals for remarkable efforts in accessibility.	Status Pending meeting with IT Division Manager.
3. CASp Certification and Permit Process. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectiveness of CASp training and certification; • Request presentation by City Inspectors. 	Training was provided in 2010 to key staff throughout the City enhance their Physical and Program Access knowledge and to prepare for the CASp exam. Feedback from participants noted that the training enhanced their preparation for the CASp exam. The City currently exceeds the minimum requirement of CASp certified staff. A presentation by City Inspectors is pending.
4. Accessibility Device Transition Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. How many conference rooms? ii. What is required by code checklist? 	Status Pending
5. Crocker Art Museum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up on accessibility programs including assistive listening devices? • Checklist or review process for all museums? • Follow-up on evacuation training program? • Follow-up regarding audio description efforts. • Accessible path of travel/crosswalk to museum entrance. 	A follow-up report/presentation to the DAC by DGS and the Historic Director is pending. An onsite walk-through by the ADA Coordinator and the Director of DOT occurred in 2010, shortly after the issue of concern was raised, regarding the accessible path of travel to the museum entrance. It was confirmed that there are no noncompliant issues regarding this matter and that the current path of travel offers the greatest level of accessibility.
6. Accessibility Issues related to meetings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there a review process for scheduled meetings that address accessibility/ADA issues when setting a venue? • Issues relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Public Transportation access ii. Meeting Room access iii. Restroom access 	March 2011 - A checklist was provided to Neighborhood Services for distribution to Vendors and for internal use to ensure accessible meetings. The Office of Civil Rights continues to provide ongoing technical assistance as needed when access issues arise.

iv. Accessible information and materials	
<p>7. Management Education Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there a training program for management regarding ADA policies and programs? • Steps needed to improve training? 	<p>The Office of Civil Rights continues to deliver presentations on FEHA, ADA and the City's Administrative Policy #11 to City Management. We are in the process of developing multimedia content, including captioned video, of the training material for posting on the City's Intranet site.</p> <p>August 10, 2011 Update: Neal Albritton met with Parks & Recreation Management Team to train, provide technical assistance, and develop implementation process related to accessibility requirements and process for accessible digital documents.</p>
<p>8. Well Springs (3rd/4th Avenues):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues relating to overcrowding, permits and safety 	Status Pending
<p>9. Accessible Taxis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of Sting Operations 	Presentation with updates by Ron O'Connor to DAC on 5/2/2011.
<p>10. Universal Design:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact on new developments? • Process to encourage and expand Universal Access? 	Status Pending: Universal Design Ordinance update scheduled for December 15, 2011
11. Township Nine Project	Jeff Townsend, ASLA, Principal, Urban Design & Planning, with JACOBS presented and updated the DAC on 10/3/2011.
12. Business Permit Process: Advisory and Educational Checklist for Business License Application	Status Pending
13. Building Permit Process: Is Accessibility review a separate discipline and /or process.	Ryan DeVore, Chief Building Official (Community Development Department, City of Sacramento) presented the Building Permit Process to the DAC on 10/3/2011
14. Greyhound Adhoc tour and follow-up to Kirk Thompson's (city staff) presentation	Status Pending: 10/18/2011 Staff contacted the project manager (PM) of the Greyhound Terminal (Kirk Thompson-DGS). The operation of the newly constructed project is now under Economic Department. Staff will extend invitation to the new PM.
15. Rocky Burks to report on Sidewalk Safety	Status Pending:

Issues raised by Commissioner Barden.	10/18/2011 Staff contacted Rocky Burks-DOT). Staff will follow up.
16. Presentation on Program Access.	Status Pending:
17. Park and Recreation presentation on Park Access.	Status Pending:
18. Safety and Access Issues at Old Sacramento.	Status Pending: