



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 1, 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 1, 2010

*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 Jeff Thom at 6:04 PM on Monday, March 1, 2010. Meeting was held at New City Hall, Conference Room 1104. The roll call of members was also carried out by Mr. Thom.
- Present:** Bain, Benson, Correia, Finch, Kysor, Skierka, Springer, Thom
- Absent:** None
- Commission Staff:** Neal Albritton, City of Sacramento, Office of Civil Rights
Obi Agha, City of Sacramento, Office of Civil Rights
- Presenters:** None
- Guest:** Jeffery Tardaguila (Sacramento County Advocate representing the Public)
- Agenda Review:** Commissioner Kysor reviewed the Agenda. The record reflects that changes to the March 1, 2010 agenda were made.
Public Comments - Matters Not on the Agenda was moved to the front of the agenda. This was done to accommodate Jeffery Tardaguila (Sacramento County Advocate representing the Public), to talk about the scheduled Public Hearing on Regional Transit proposed service changes for June 2010.

Discussion / Action Reports

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 1, AND 18, 2010

Recommendation: The Commissioners deferred approval of the February meeting minutes (2/1 & 2/18, 2010 to March.

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

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Open nomination to elect a new Chair and Vice Chair of the Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission; per City Ordinance No. 2001-050, Chapter 2.53.070 (Organization and procedures of the Commission).

Chair Jeff Thom explained City Ordinance No. 2001-050, and the process to follow in conducting the election consistent with the City Clerk's office procedure. Mr. Thom opened the nominations to elect a new Chair and Vice Chair of the Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission.

Mr. Thom asked each individual member if they would be interested in serving in the capacity of Chair or Vice Chair. Each Commissioner was given the opportunity to either nominate someone or themselves. Commissioner Kysor nominated Commissioner Bain to serve in the capacity of Chair. Commissioner Bain accepted. Commissioner Benson nominated Commissioner Springer to serve in the capacity of Vice Chair. Commissioner Springer accepted. Commissioner Skierka expressed interest to serve as the Vice Chair, as well. Discussion followed the nominations. Chair Jeff Thom put forward the three nominees for a vote. By unanimous vote Mr. Bain was elected Chair, and by majority vote and one abstention, Mrs. Springer was elected Vice Chair. Commissioner Skierka election (vote) for Vice Chair failed.

Mr. Thom asked for motion to elect Mr. Bain, Chair; effective March 18th 2010.

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Benson and Finch
Yes: Bain, Benson, Correia, Finch, Kysor, Skierka, Springer, Thom
No: None

Mr. Thom asked for motion to elect Mrs. Springer, Vice Chair; effective March 18th 2010.

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Benson and Finch
Yes: Bain, Benson, Correia, Finch, Kysor, Springer, Thom
No: None

Abstained Skierka

Recommendation: Receive and file.

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

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.

- Commissioner Thom confirmed that he had spoken to DOT staff (Rocky Burks), about the City's proposed APS policy.
- Neal updated the Commissioners on the upcoming Certified Access Specialist Program (CASp) training. The training is scheduled for the 13th & 14th of April 2010.
- Staff reported the Personnel & Public Employees (P&PE) Committee meeting would be held on March 2, 2010 at the City Council Chamber to review applications for the boards/commissions, including the Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission (DAC). Two applications were received by the City Clerk's office and would be reviewed by the Committee. Staff, from Office of Civil Rights (OCR), Obi and /or Neal would be in attendance to answer any Committee's questions.

Public Comments - Matters Not on the Agenda

4. Jeffery Tardaguila (Sacramento County Advocate representing the Public), addressed the Commission on the proposal of the Regional Transit regarding the proposal to reduce of services, realignment of, or discontinuation of transit route. The Service changes are scheduled for adoption

by the RT Board of Directors March 22, 2010, and if approved, would be implemented on June 20, 2010. Mr. Tardaguila encouraged Commissioners to attend the Regional Transit (Public Hearing) scheduled for March 8, 2010 at 4 PM, and register their concerns about the proposed service reduction, as well, the adverse impact it would have on the (public, that rely on public transportation, on daily basis), especially persons with disabilities. He distributed a flyer prepared by RT that showed the location of the public meeting (RT Auditorium, 1400 29th Street).

Commission Ideas, Questions and Announcements

- a. Commissioner Kysor would like to know the role of Capitol Area Development Agency (CADA), on disabilities, and who the agency, talk to in City of Sacramento government.
- b. Commissioner Kysor expressed concern that sufficient public notices are not being given by contractors working on city sidewalk, on timely fashion, on closure of PROW, during construction, or providing adequate or compliant barricade. Mr. Kysor cite a construction project at 16 & J Street.
- c. Commissioner Springer wondered about the status of the Historic Underground and Sidewalk project, and if there were tours being planned.
The Commissioners asked if there were follow-ups anticipated on the Policy direction, regarding Law Enforcement interaction with persons with mental illness.

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).
- c. City Building Department and Inspectors role and responsibilities as regards compliance with the Law SB 1608.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM. Moved / Seconded: Commissioners Correia / Benson.

Jeff Thom, Chair

Attest:

Commission Clerk-Secretary

Obi Agha, Program Specialist
Equal Opportunity / ADA Program