



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, Equal Opportunity Manager
 Neal Albritton, ADA Coordinator
 Obi Agha, Program Specialist*

*New City Hall
 915 I Street, 1st Floor - Conference Room 1104
 December 17, 2009 - 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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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 Jeff Thom at 6:05 PM on Thursday, December 17, 2009. Meeting was held at the New City Hall, Conference Room 1104.

Present: Bain, Benson, Correia, Finch, Skierka, Springer, Thom

Absent: Kysor

Commission Staff: Obi Agha, City of Sacramento, EO/ADA Program and Neal Albritton, City of Sacramento, Citywide ADA Coordinator

Presenters: Greg Sandlund, Associate Planner, Community Development Department

Guests: None

Agenda Review: The agenda was reviewed by the Chair and accepted without change.

Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Bain / Skierka

Yes: Commissioners Benson, Correia, Finch, Springer, Thom

No: N/A

Absent: Kysor

Discussion / Action Reports

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

1. Approval of Minutes for December 7, 2009

Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes.

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

Action: None taken. Item tabled until January 4, 2009 meeting.

2. **"Courtesy Update" on the Draft Universal Design Ordinance [LR09-017] by Greg Sandlund, Associate Planner**

Recommendation: Receive and file.

Contact: Greg Sandlund, (916) 808-8931, Associate Planner, Community Development Department.

Overview:

- The ordinance addresses entrance and exterior pathways for small lot homes (R-1 zone).
- Initially applied ordinance to single family homes. Following concerns expressed by the Planning Commission, went back to identify R-1 (50'x100' lots) and R-1A (various lot sizes) zones within the ordinance.
- Noted that if someone wants an accessible exterior pathway, they can have a 1:12 slope option.
- Electrical outlets for chairlifts included at the top and bottom of stairway for two-story units.
- Plan to evaluate the ordinance for two years following implementation and share findings with the Commission.

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.

- The Chair requested a status update regarding filling behind the vacant Commissioner seat and noted that there will be additional vacant seats with the anticipated loss of 3-4 Commissioners in the next few months.
- Neal noted that the vacancy announcement will be redistributed soon throughout the community and shared with the Commissioners in case they might know of an individual interested in applying. The announcement will be shared with Marty Omoto of CDCAN to post on the CDCAN website.
- Neal announced recent approved change in name of the Equal Opportunity Division to The office of Civil Rights. The motive behind the name change was to more accurately reflect the services provided by the Division.
- Other activities include working on improving the accessibility of the City's website, plans for training IT and City staff on creating accessible electronic documents (Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, PDF, etc.)

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda

4. There were no public comments.

Commission Ideas, Questions and Announcements

5. **Issues for Future Meetings:** The Chair will follow up with Obi Agha about agenda items and guest speakers for 2010.

Commissioner Springer expressed interest in possible topic for discussion regarding FaceBook and current discussions addressing frustrations and concerns regarding Police Department interactions with people with Mental Illness.

Commissioners suggested scheduling a joint presentation in January or February 2010 with Tim Brown ("10 Year Plan to End chronic Homelessness") and Commissioner Correia (NAMI's Presentation for Police Cadets Regarding Interacting with People with Mental Health Disabilities).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45 PM. Moved/Seconded: Benson/Bain

6. **DAC End of Year Holiday Celebration:** The DAC party was held at the New City Hall, 915 I Street, Second Floor, Common Break Area_ East End.