

**City of Sacramento
Disabilities Advisory Commission**

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: June 21, 2007 @ 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: New City Hall, 915 I Street, 1st Floor Conference Room -1217

Present: Commissioner Brown, Bain, Thom, Benson, Springer.

Excused: Commissioner Riker.

Absent: N/A.

Commission Staff: Obi Agha.

Presenters: Rocky Burks.

Guest: Carol Bradley

1. Call to Order & Introduction of Members

The meeting began at 6:08 P.M. by Commissioner Brown and the new Commissioner Springer was introduced and welcomed by the commissioners.

Commissioner Springer expressed gratitude for the warmth welcome she had received from the commissioners and staff. She said that she was very happy and excited to be part of the Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission (DAC). Ms. Springer indicated that she was looking forward to contributing via her talent, experience and passion in advancing the inclusion and the participation of people with disabilities in the mainstream of what we do and a better city for every one else.

2. Review of the Agenda

No changes were made to the meeting agenda.

3. Recognition

On behalf of the DAC, Commissioner Brown expressed his appreciation to Carol Bradley for her dedication and passion in the interest of making the City a more accessible one, especially for the disabled. Her steadfast in making sure that DAC was visible on City's initiatives were echoed.

Commissioner Brown read the Award and presented it to Ms. Bradley.

Ms. Bradley was visibly moved, and thanked the commissioners for all the great work they have done together during her tenure. She expressed her gratitude and appreciation for having been given the award. Ms. Bradley then spoke enthusiastically about her new job and how she is looking forward to continue to work on disability issues.

4. Approval of Minutes

The meeting minutes of April 19 and 25, 2007 was approved. Commissioner Bain made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Thom. Commissioner Springer abstained. MSP

5. Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) Product Review

Rocky Burks, Department of Transportation (DOT) reported on the proposed Accessible Pedestrian Signals Standards and Specifications DOT will be implementing. Mr. Burks explained that currently, audible signals are installed upon request along a specific route of travel and generally are only installed at intersections that have pedestrian actuation.

Staff indicated that the preferred APS meets all pertinent accessibility requirements, including the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) standards for all traffic control. Additionally, the Revised Draft Guidelines for Accessible Public Rights of Way (2005) include accessibility features for APS that mimic those for the MUTCD.

Mr. Burks reported that DOT has reviewed all appropriate APS requirements and has developed the City of Sacramento's APS Standards and Specifications.

Staff said by this presentation to DAC, DOT hopes this would be a good avenue to educate and inform members and the community of DOT's committed efforts to achieve improved accessibility compliance in the Public Right's of Way.

Staff requested acknowledgment and support from the DAC on the future APS implementation.

Commissioner Thom moved to endorsed the APS product standards and specifications as presented.. Seconded by Commissioner Benson. Motion Passed.

6. Staff Update

Staff updated the Commissioners on the DAC recruitment efforts and encouraged them to seek out individuals who may have interest on serving on the DAC. Ideas for August DAC agenda items were exchanged.

7. Comments / Announcements

Commissioners agreed to take a July recess. The next full DAC meeting is Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 6:00 P.M.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m. Moved by Commissioner Bain and seconded by Commissioner Thom.

Respectfully Submitted:

Obi Agha, Program Specialist

Equal Opportunity / ADA Program