



Minutes

City of Sacramento
Sacramento Disabilities Advisory Commission

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Joan Barden	David Bain	Robert Benson
Dawn Correia	Lester Finch, Jr.	Darlene Anderson
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
June 17, 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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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

June 17, 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 David Bain at 6:10 PM on Thursday, June 17, 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, Barden, Finch, Skierka, Springer, Thom

Absent: Benson, Correia

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

Presenters: Rocky Burks, Physical Access Manager, (916) 808-5521, Department of Transportation, City of Sacramento.

Guest: NA

Agenda Review: Commissioner Bain reviewed the Agenda. The record reflects that no Change(s) were made to the June 17, 2010 agenda.

Discussion / Action Reports

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 7, 2010

Recommendation: Approve Commission minutes.

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

The Commissions approved the meeting minutes of June 7, 2010.

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Barden and Finch

Yes: Bain, Barden, Finch, Skierka, Springer

No: N/A

Abstained: Thom

2. PRESENTATION ON ANNUAL PROSPECTIVE PLAN FOR PROJECTS UNDER BARDEN SETTLEMENT

Recommendation: Review and comment or provide advice on: a) report on construction projects planned for FY 2010 /2011 accessibility compliance in the Public Rights-of-Way; and; b) seeks concurrence and approval from Commissioners.

Contact: Rocky Burks, Physical Access Manager, (916) 808-5521, Department of Transportation.

Discussion: Rocky Burks, Physical Access Manager with City Department of Transportation presented the FY 2010 / 2011 Annual Prospective Plan for Project under Barden Settlement. His presentation conformed with the Staff Report to DAC dated June 17, 2009. This Staff report was transmitted to the Commissioners prior to the 6/17/10 meeting. Mr. Burks explained in detail the FY 2010 /11 prospective plan for Pedestrian Right-of-Way projects, which comprised of six program areas, description of accessibility work and budgetary cost estimate under each program areas.

The program areas consist of the following:

- a) Curb Ramps
- b) Citizens Requested Curb Ramps
- c) Non-curb ramp related Citizen Requests
- d) Traffic Engineering Curb Ramps
- e) 3rd Party Agreement Projects
- f) Accessibility features within other Capital Improvement Projects (CIP).

The projected budgetary estimated cost for the six program areas mentioned above for the FY 2010/11 prospective plan for Pedestrian Right-of-Way projects is \$5,313,000. The City's estimated FY 2010/11 Annual Obligation is approximately \$4,290,649.00. Rocky emphasized that every year there will be either an overage or shortage carried forward from the prior year.

Rocky also explained that item (f) above which comprised of specific project targeted for accessibility features, on various city intersections, include underdeveloped city neighborhoods.

Accessibility Features under the specific CIP are as follows:

- I. Installation of Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) including pedestrian push buttons,
- II. Modifying, construction of curb ramps, gutter, pedestrian signals, pedestrian Islands, sidewalks.
- III. Construction of access pedestrian way from the Railyards along Bercut, Jiboom and Richard Blvd, Norwood Bridge replacement at Arcade Creek, etc. This is estimated to cost approximately \$3,068,000, which is the largest cost of the six program areas.

The staff recommended that the Disability Advisory Commission approve and support the FY 2010/11 Prospective Plan for Accessibility Improvements in the Public Rights-of-way.

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Thom/ Finch.

Yes: Bain, Barden, Finch, Skierka, Springer, Thom

No: None

Motion **passed**.

Adjournment

3. UPDATE ON CURRENT ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

Recommendation: Receive and file or provide advice.

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

The following items were reported by staff:

- The City's Office of Civil Rights *continue to* met with staff from City Parks and Recreation to assist them with the Transition Plan for park facilities.
- Staff reminded the Commissioners of the following:
 - ✓ DAC application for the one opening to fill the remaining seat. Application period is from 5/26 to 6/25. July 5, 2010 DAC meeting cancellation, due to the 4th of July Holidays. The city offices will be closed.
 - ✓ *Stephanie Mizuno*, Assistant City Clerk of the City of Sacramento, would present the (Brown Act and Pertinent Requirements), on July 15, 2010. To have their questions ready for staff.
 - ✓ July 26, 2010 ADA 20 Year Anniversary Celebration event this summer. Staff encouraged the Commissioners to attending. The event flyer was distributed by staff.
 - ✓ Ken Fleming and Neal Albritton were off in attendance of the California Association of Equal Rights Professionals' (CAERP) annual conference in Burbank (June 16-18, 2010).
- Staff mentioned there are Alley Access issues, specific to the use of tactile / Detectable Warning Surface", where walks or sidewalks crosses obscured (blind) alley way, that likely would be coming to the DAC attention.
- Staff provided the new W-9 Form to be filled out by Commissioners affected. Staff explained that the W-9 Form is provided to Board and Commissioners who receive stipend from the City. It is expected that the stipend paid by the city goes towards the 1099 Form at the end of the year.

Public Comments - Matters Not on the Agenda

4. (a) Rocky Burks announced his appointment by the Governor, to the California Commission on Disability Access. He recommended the DAC may want to get involved at a higher level on issues pertaining to disabilities and accessibility concerns. Rocky would provide to the DAC with the Commission contact information if so desired.
(b) Mr. Burks announced the passing of Mr. Michael Whipple, and encouraged the Commission to write a letter of appreciation. The funeral information would be forth coming.

Commission Ideas, Questions and Announcements

5. COMMISSION IDEAS:

- Commissioner Barden expressed interest on the following :

- ✓ Staff from the City Office of Civil Rights come to one of the Neighborhood's meetings and present the City's effort on accessibility and the ADA.
- ✓ Invite the Habitat with Humanity to come before DAC to dialogue how the Commission can be of assistance on their effort of their "mission", especially as it pertains to the Individuals with Disabilities and Accessibility. Ms Barden provided shared with staff copies of two brochures, relative to non-profit Organizations that advocates for persons with disabilities. The two organizations are as follows:
 - (a) Francis House (Safe Ground Housing), contact information: Greg Bunker (916) 443-2646, website: www.francisHouse.info
 - (b) Habitat for Humanity, contact information: Ashley Tully (916) 440-1215; website www.shfh.org
- Commissioner Barden expressed concern on the continuous accessibility issues she had witness on one of her attendance to her neighborhood (Oak Park Farmers Market). The Farmers market is located on 35th and Broadway. Ms. Barden would (1) document and provide specific access issues she encountered at the Farmers Market to staff, (2) articulate on how the alleged violation has impacted citizen's ability to access goods or services offered at the market, (3) Indicate the desired resolution or remedy sought. Ms. Barden would like to present on access issues and opportunities that would further enhance accessibility in the Farmers Market.
- Commissioner Thom inquired about city's commitment to install pedestrian audible signal as part of the condition to allow bikes on K Street Mall. The DAC asked that the final staff report that went to City Council, be transmitted to the Commissioners prior to the next DAC meeting of 7/15/10.

In light of this, Commissioner Thom put forward a motion to follow thru with the installation of the Pedestrian Audible Signals at the portion of K Street Mall that allows bike access.

Action: Moved/Seconded: Commissioners Thom/ Barden.

Yes: Bain, Barden, Finch, Skierka, Springer, Thom

No: None

Motion **passed**.

6. ISSUES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

- Stephanie Mizuno, Assistant City Clerk of the City of Sacramento, would to present the (Brown Act and Pertinent Requirements & How it Pertains to DAC), on July 15, 2010.
- Commissioner Barden to extend an invitation to two Non-Profit Organization to come before DAC and present and sought collaborations regarding activities that enhances access relative to disabilities awareness. The two organizations are as follows:
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 - b) Habitat for Humanity, contact information: Ashley Tully (916) 440-1215; website www.shfh.org

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM. Moved / Seconded: Commissioners Skierka / Finch.

David Bain, Chair

Attest:

Commission Clerk-Secretary

Obi Agha, Program Specialist
Equal Opportunity / ADA Program