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**AGENDA
ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
September 27, 2016**

MEMBERS

Jennipha-Laurén Nielsen, Chair, At Large
John Orr, Vice Chair, District 6
Dennis Campos, District 1
Jorge Lambrinos, District 2
Joy Rittenhouse, District 3
Sharon Rogers, District 4
Michael Warner II, District 5
Dr. Xilian Chen Stammer, District 7
Vacant, Mayor

STAFF

Ali Everett, Recording Secretary/Accessibility Issues Coordinator

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REGULAR MEETING
September 27, 2016
4:00 PM
JACKIE ROBINSON CENTER
1020 N. FAIR OAKS AVENUE
PASADENA, CA 91103

- 1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
Please limit comments to 3 minutes each.
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, August 23, 2016***
- 4. STAFF REPORTS**
 - A. ACCESSIBILITY DEVELOPMENTS
 - B. UPDATES
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. ESTABLISH NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR COMMISSION VICE-CHAIR
 - B. DISCUSS COLOR OF DETECTABLE WARNINGS IN PASADENA*
 - C. ADA AND DISABILITY ETIQUETTE PRESENTATION
Ali Everett, Accessibility Issues Coordinator, Humans Services and Recreation Department
- 6. REPORTS, COMMENTS**
 - A. WORK PLAN OBJECTIVES
 - B. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS
 - C. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

*Attachment

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennipha-Laurén Nielsen".

Jennipha-Laurén Nielsen, Chair
Accessibility and Disability Commission

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3.

Minutes of August 23, 2016

MINUTES



**CITY OF PASADENA
ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 23, 2016
4:00 P.M.
JACKIE ROBINSON COMMUNITY CENTER
1020 N. FAIR OAKS AVENUE
PASADENA, CA 91103**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Dennis Campos, Dr. Xilian Chen Stammer, Jorge Lambrinos, Jennipha-Laurén Nielsen, John Orr, Michael Warner II

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Joy Rittenhouse

STAFF PRESENT: Ali Everett

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Gorski

1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL

Chair Nielsen called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. Ali Everett called the roll and a quorum was established for the Commission.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Jennipha-Laurén Nielsen announced the upcoming Centennial Square Boxing Show at City Hall on Friday, August 26, 2016 and also noted that there is a new Civic Center Coalition that is working with the City Council regarding elimination of green spaces in the City, including the proposed elimination of the Sister City Trees at the Civic Center.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, July 26, 2016

After review, it was moved (Lambrinos) and seconded (Orr) to approve the Minutes of the July 26, 2016 meeting. (Motion unanimously carried) (Abstain: Campos) (Absent: Rittenhouse)

4. STAFF REPORT ON ACCESSIBILITY DEVELOPMENTS

Ali Everett, Accessibility Issues Coordinator, Human Services and Recreation Department, announced the following:

- The Human Services and Recreation Department's Fall-Winter 2016-2017 Program Guide features the artwork from the Adapted Recreation Art Program.
- The "Accessibility" section of the Pasadena Citizen Service Center is now live.
- On August 4, 2016, approximately ten staff from the Department of Transportation attended an Accessible Parking and Passenger Loading Zones webinar presented by the United States Access Board.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSS POTENTIAL SPEAKERS TO PRESENT TO THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITY RELATED TOPICS

Chair Nielsen requested that Commissioners email their recommendations to staff for discussion at the next meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COMMISSION WORK PLAN FOR FY 16/17

Commissioners discussed the draft work plan and made the following substantive changes:

- Objective 2: Change deadline to November 30, 2016.
- Objective 3: Add Commissioner Campos as Objective Leader.
- Objective 6: Change the deadline to April 30, 2017 and change objective to read “Recommend web-based training for all City of Pasadena staff and Commissioners on disability related topics”

After discussion, it was moved (Lambrinos) and seconded (Warner II) to approve the Commission Work Plan for FY 16/17. (Motion unanimously carried)
(Absent: Rittenhouse)

7. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

- Commissioner Campos announced that he is scheduling a meeting with Councilmember Hampton to provide updates on the work of the Commission and to emphasize the importance of accessibility issues in Pasadena.
- Commissioner Lambrinos announced that his neighborhood association has been working on emergency preparedness efforts and he is making sure that access and functional needs are incorporated into the planning.
- Chair Nielsen announced that she plans to attend Councilmember Kennedy’s District 3 community meeting on August 30, 2016, from 6-7:30 p.m. She also encouraged Commissioners to speak at their respective district meetings regarding disability issues.
- Commissioner Orr thanked everyone for the opportunity to work on the Commission and wished them luck in future efforts.
- Commissioner Chen Stammer announced that she has been observing sidewalk improvements in her neighborhood.

8. STAFF UPDATES

Staff announced that it was Commissioner Orr's last meeting and thanked him for his service to the City of Pasadena Accessibility and Disability Commission.

9. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:21 P.M.



Ali Everett, Recording Secretary
Accessibility Issues Coordinator
Human Services and Recreation Department

5B.
**Color of Detectable Warnings in
Pasadena**

COLOR OF DETECTABLE WARNINGS IN PASADENA

Background Information

Detectable warnings are walking surfaces that provide an underfoot tactile cue to pedestrians with vision impairments. Their primary purpose is to promote pedestrian safety by indicating the change from pedestrian to vehicular way at locations such as the edge of a train platform or the transition between a sidewalk and a street.

Detectable warnings also provide visual cues that allow pedestrians to orient themselves to a curb cut from a greater distance than possible using only tactile cues. Distracted pedestrians, children, people with cognitive disabilities, and others benefit from the visual warning by drawing their attention to the potential hazard of walking beyond the detectable warning.

For detectable warnings to carry out their primary purpose of promoting pedestrian safety, it is important that they have an unambiguous meaning. To avoid ambiguity, detectable warnings should be uniform and consistent. A critical factor contributing to uniformity and consistency is color.

A 2005 study for the Federal Highway Administration examined the efficacy of various detectable warning colors, patterns, and luminance contrasts.¹ It found that despite the varying visual abilities of pedestrians, the majority of people see detectable warnings when there is adequate ambient lighting and adequate contrast between the detectable warning and adjacent sidewalk.

The study tested ten single-color detectable warnings (Figure 1) in relationship to the surrounding surface materials of asphalt, brick, and concrete. Based on the results of the test, each detectable warning color was labeled 1) very good; 2) good; 3) ok; or 4) not recommended. Of the colors tested, only Federal yellow performed “good” or “very good” for all three surrounding surface materials.

While there is no particular color requirement in the Federal guidelines for detectable warnings, under California Building Code section 11B-705.1.1.3, detectable warning surfaces at hazardous vehicular areas, reflecting pools, and track crossings must be Federal Yellow.² Detectable warnings at other locations may be Federal Yellow and must provide a 70% minimum visual contrast with adjacent walking surfaces. Further, section 73-1.02B of the 2015 California Department of Transportation Standard Specifications requires detectable warning surfaces to match Federal Yellow.³

Both the California Council for the Blind and the City of Pasadena Accessibility and Disability Commission have previously recommended the use of Federal yellow for detectable warnings.

¹ James Jenness and Jeremiah Singer (2007). Color and Contrast of Detectable Warnings. Retrieved from <http://sites.udel.edu/dct/files/2014/07/4F-Contrast-276a7vx.pdf>.

² California Building Code § 11B available at <http://codes.iccsafe.org/app/book/content/2016%20California%20Codes/Building%20Volume%201/Chapter%2011B%20Accessibility%20to%20Public%20Buildings.pdf>.

³ 2015 California Department of Transportation Standard Specifications available at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/construction_contract_standards/std_specs/2015_StdSpecs/2015_StdSpecs.pdf.

Figure 1. Photographic samples of the 10 single-color detectable warnings tested in the FHWA study



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Table 1. Detectable warning contrast effectiveness assessments based upon FHWA study data

Detectable Warning Color ¹	Surface material surrounding detectable warning		
	Asphalt	Brick (Red)	Concrete
Bright white [e.g., FS 37875] R = .74; (x = .333, y = .347)	Good	Good	Not recommended for light colored concrete ²
White (beige sand texture) R = .64; (x = .352, y = .364)	Good	OK	Not recommended ²
Pale yellow [e.g., FS 23594] R = .47; (x = .412, y = .414)	Good	Good	OK
Federal yellow [e.g., FS 33538] R = .46; (x = .511, y = .454)	Very good	Very good	Good
Light gray [e.g., FS 26280] R = .24; (x = .326, y = .341)	Not recommended	Not recommended	Not recommended
Brown (beige sand texture) R = .17; (x = .390, y = .386)	Not recommended	Not recommended	OK
Orange-red [e.g., FS 22144] R = .13; (x = .533, y = .356)	OK	Not recommended	Good
Bright red [e.g., FS 31120] R = .11; (x = .587, y = .323)	Good	OK	Very good
Dark gray [e.g., FS 36118] R = .09; (x = .320, y = .331)	Not recommended	Not recommended	OK
Black [e.g., FS 17038] R = .02; (x = .324, y = .338)	Not recommended	Not recommended (may be perceived as a hole)	Not recommended (may be perceived as a hole)



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