

MINUTES



**CITY OF PASADENA
ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 27, 2018
5:30 P.M.
JACKIE ROBINSON COMMUNITY CENTER
1020 N. FAIR OAKS AVENUE
PASADENA, CA 91103**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Martin Sweeney, Sharon Rogers, Michael Warner II, Cy Warren Estabrook, Mark Waterson, David Azevedo (7:30 p.m. departure)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Jorge Lambrinos, Xilian Chen Stammer

STAFF PRESENT: Alison Everett and Araceli López Mellem

1. CALL TO ORDER; WELCOME; ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Sweeney called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M. Araceli López Mellem called the roll and a quorum was established for the Commission.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Vice Chair Sweeney read a letter on behalf of Karla Berglund Hughes, a local disability rights advocate, in opposition to House Resolution 620, the ADA Education and Reform Act of 2017.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES, FEBRUARY 27, 2018

After review, it was moved (Azevedo) and seconded (Estabrook) to approve the Minutes of the February 27, 2018 meeting. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Lambrinos, Chen Stammer)

4. OLD BUSINESS

- **NONE**

5. NEW BUSINESS

- **DISCUSS ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION'S ADVISORY ROLE**

Brad Fuller, Assistant City Attorney, and John Nam, Deputy City Attorney, provided an overview of the Commission's advisory role and answered questions related to this topic from the Commission.

- **REVIEW AND DISCUSS ACCESSIBILITY & DISABILITY COMMISSION MENTORSHIP PILOT**

Commissioners received a copy of the Mentorship Pilot proposal in the agenda packet for this meeting. Commissioner Sweeney stated that he plans to make

changes to the proposal and will resubmit it to the Commission for review at a later date.

- **DISCUSS SAFETY OF PEDESTRIANS WITH DISABILITIES IN PASADENA**
Commissioner Azevedo reported attending the recent community meeting regarding the Orange Grove Resurfacing Project. He stated the meeting was well attended and that no accessibility issues were discussed. Following the meeting, the City announced that the project has been delayed a year for the Pasadena Water and Power Department to replace a water line.

After discussion, it was moved (Azevedo) and seconded (Sweeney) to form an ad-hoc committee to further discuss safety of pedestrians with disabilities in Pasadena. (Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Lambrinos, Chen Stammer) Commissioners Azevedo and Estabrook will serve on the committee.

6. REPORTS, COMMENTS, UPDATES

- **Staff Reports**
Staff (Everett) provided an update regarding the pedestrian safety questions raised at the previous meeting, reported the outcome of the Public Use Computer Accessibility Workshops, and introduced Angie Aguirre, new staff for the Adaptive and Inclusive Recreation program.

- **FY17/18 WORKPLAN COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Objective 1, Disability Culture – Commissioner Rogers reported that the first iBook Club meeting included fourteen participants and more participants are expected for subsequent meetings. She received positive feedback from participants and others after the meeting.

Objective 2, Outreach – Commissioner Sweeney has been working on scheduling a book reading at Vroman’s Bookstore and hopes to have an event planned prior to the end of the fiscal year.

- **COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Estabrook announced that the Disability Athletics Faire will take place on April 7, 2018, at Mt. San Antonio College and that the Triumph Foundation Wheelchair Sports Festival will take place on April 28th & 29th in Santa Clarita. Staff (Everett) announced that the City is looking to partner with the Triumph Foundation to host a Disability Sports Festival in November 2018. Commissioner Farr reported that he would not be able to attend next month’s meeting.

7. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved (Farr) and seconded (Rogers) to adjourn the regular meeting.
(Motion unanimously carried) (Absent: Lambrinos, Chen Stammer) The meeting
was adjourned at 7:37 P.M.


Araceli López Mellem, Recording Secretary
Human Services & Recreation Department