



MINUTES

**CITY OF PASADENA
ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021
5:30 PM**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cy Estabrook, James Farr, Casey Jagusch, Andrea Jennings (joined at 5:32pm), Sharon Rogers, Martin Sweeney, Michael Warner II, Mark Waterson

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Danielle Friberg (excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Ali Everett, Tamer Sabha

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

Chair Farr called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM. Staff (Sabha) called the roll and a quorum was established for the Commission.

The Commission welcomed a new commissioner, Casey Jagusch (District 2), who shared her background and experience.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

After review, it was moved (Rogers) and seconded (Estabrook) to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting. (Motion carried) (Abstain: Jagusch)

COMMISSIONER	IN FAVOR	ABSTAIN
Farr	x	
Jennings	x	
Estabrook	x	
Waterson	x	
Jagusch		x
Rogers	x	
Warner II	x	
Sweeney	x	

3. NEW BUSINESS

- **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ACCESSIBILITY CONSIDERATIONS AND HOW PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE REPRESENTED IN THE CITY'S PUBLIC MESSAGING – (STAFF, LISA DERDERIAN, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER) AND (STAFF, TIFFANY WRIGHT, COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND MEDIA SPECIALIST)**
The Commission received a presentation about digital accessibility considerations and representation of people with disabilities in the City's public messaging. Questions from the Commission followed.

BREAK: At 6:22 PM the Commission took a 10 minute break. The meeting resumed at 6:32 PM.

- **DISCUSS RECOMMENDATION THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ISSUE A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MARCH AS DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH**

After discussion, it was moved (Sweeney) and seconded (Jennings) to table this agenda item until the Commission receives further information from United Cerebral Palsy of Los Angeles. (Motion unanimously carried)

COMMISSIONER	IN FAVOR
Farr	X
Jennings	X
Estabrook	X
Waterson	X
Jagusch	X
Rogers	X
Warner II	X
Sweeney	X

4. OLD BUSINESS

- **COMMISSION WORK PLAN UPDATES AND DISCUSSION**

After discussion, it was moved (Sweeney) and seconded (Rogers) for Commissioner Sweeney to prepare and submit a written proposal to staff for an annual award in recognition of Robert Gorski to be presented at the City Council meeting prior to the annual proclamation recognizing the ADA Anniversary of July 26. (Motion unanimously carried)

COMMISSIONER	IN FAVOR
Farr	X
Jennings	X
Estabrook	X
Waterson	X
Jagusch	X
Rogers	X
Warner II	X
Sweeney	X

After discussion, it was moved (Rogers) and seconded (Jennings) to amend the Disability Culture Work Plan objective to add an action item for the Commission to continue facilitating the monthly iBookClub meetings. (Motion unanimously carried)

COMMISSIONER	IN FAVOR
Farr	X
Jennings	X
Estabrook	X

Waterson	x
Jagusch	x
Rogers	x
Warner II	x
Sweeney	x

After discussion, it was moved (Sweeney) and seconded (Rogers) to approve the work plan updates as discussed. (Motion unanimously carried)

COMMISSIONER	IN FAVOR
Farr	x
Jennings	x
Estabrook	x
Waterson	x
Jagusch	x
Rogers	x
Warner II	x
Sweeney	x

5. COMMENTS AND UPDATES

▪ STAFF COMMENTS

Staff (Everett) provided the following comments:

- Staff (Everett) will be facilitating a training about service animals for the Pasadena Police Department and will be meeting with Field Training Officers to discuss future training for Patrol Officers; and
- Beginning on Monday, March 15, people with certain disabilities and underlying health conditions, as specified by the California Department of Public Health, will be eligible for COVID-19 vaccinations, regardless of age or occupation.

▪ COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Chair Farr asked Commissioners to contact Staff (Everett) with any suggested agenda items, and shared his experience skiing for the first time with the United States Adaptive Recreation Program in Big Bear, CA.

Vice-Chair Jennings welcomed Commissioner Jagusch to the Accessibility and Disability Commission.

Commissioner Warner II sent information to Staff (Everett) about the potential impact on people with disabilities of unplanned power outages caused by cryptocurrency mining.

Commissioner Sweeney welcomed Commissioner Jagusch and asked Staff (Everett) to distribute Commissioner Jagusch's email address with her approval.

Commissioner Jagusch thanked the Commission for their warm welcome.

6. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS

- None

7. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved (Estabrook) and seconded (Sweeney) to adjourn the special meeting.
(Motion unanimously carried) The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.

/s/ James Farr

James Farr, Chair
Accessibility & Disability Commission

/s/ Tamer Sabha

Tamer Sabha, Recording Secretary
Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department