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**CITY OF PASADENA  
ACCESSIBILITY AND DISABILITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021  
5:30 PM**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Cy Estabrook, James Farr, Danielle Friberg, Casey Jagusch, Andrea Jennings, Sharon Rogers, Martin Sweeney, Michael Warner II, Mark Waterson

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** None

**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.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

After review, it was moved (Warner II) and seconded (Rogers) to approve the Minutes of the March 23, 2021 meeting. (Motion unanimously carried)

<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	<b>IN FAVOR</b>
Farr	x
Jennings	x
Estabrook	x
Waterson	x
Friberg	x
Jagusch	x
Rogers	x
Warner II	x
Sweeney	x

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

- **PRESENTATION ABOUT CRISIS ASSISTANCE HELPING OUT ON THE STREETS (CAHOOTS) AND HOW THE PROGRAM SERVES PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES – BEN CLIMER (CAHOOTS CRISIS COUNSELOR)**  
The Commission received a presentation about the Crisis Assistance Helping Out On The Streets (CAHOOTS) non-emergency support service first response model and how it can assist people experiencing mental health, substance abuse, and homeless related crises. Questions from the Commission followed.

Public Comments:

Sarah Jones, a Pasadena resident, submitted a public comment in support of the CAHOOTS program model and recommended a future presentation to the Public Safety Committee.

Loren Jones submitted a public comment asking the Accessibility and Disability Commission to recommend that the City Council and Public Safety Committee agendaize a presentation about the CAHOOTS program model.

Isabella Jones, a Pasadena resident, submitted a public comment in support of the CAHOOTS program model and recommended a future presentation to the Public Safety Committee.

**BREAK:** At 6:37 pm the Commission took an 8 minute break. The meeting resumed at 6:45 pm.

**5. OLD Business**

▪ **COMMISSION WORK PLAN UPDATES AND DISCUSSION**

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

<b>COMMISSIONER</b>	<b>IN FAVOR</b>
Farr	x
Jennings	x
Estabrook	x
Waterson	x
Friberg	x
Jagusch	x
Rogers	x
Warner II	x
Sweeney	x

**6. COMMENTS AND UPDATES**

▪ **STAFF COMMENTS**

Staff (Everett) reminded Commissioners that Pasadena residents who are unable to access the COVID-19 vaccine due to a disability and need to receive the vaccine at home can request this service by contacting the Pasadena Citizen Service Center.

▪ **COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

Chair Farr requested staff (Everett) provide information about accessibility standards for access to trails in the Arroyo Seco. He also shared that Alexis Abernethy (Fuller Theological Seminary), Florence Annang (NAACP Pasadena), and Juliana Serrano (All Saints Church) were appointed as the community-based representatives to the Community Police Oversight Commission at the City Council meeting on Monday, April 26.

Commissioner Warner II commented that he is interested in agendaing a discussion about how people with disabilities access power during emergencies but will first review information provided to him on the topic by staff (Everett).

Commissioner Sweeney provided the following comments:

- Thanked Commissioners who completed a survey for the One Arroyo non-profit organization, who are developing a long-term plan for the Arroyo Seco. Commissioner Sweeney recommended the creation of an accessible trail;
- Shared information about the Pasadena Media show he hosts called “In The Space”, which is a virtual conversation acknowledging and celebrating disability culture and identity in all its history, diversity, and creative self-expression. and
- Commented on the importance of the disability community being included in discussions about city infrastructure at a systemic level and encouraged the Commission to be active and visible.

## **7. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS**

- None

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved (Sweeney) and seconded (Jennings) to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:24 pm.

**/s/ James Farr**

James Farr, Chair  
Accessibility & Disability Commission

**/s/ Tamer Sabha**

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