



Minutes

**Regular Meeting
Accessibility and Disability Commission
Tuesday, February 22, 2022
5:30 P.M.**

Commissioners Present: Cy Estabrook, James Farr, Casey Jagusch (departed 7:17 PM), Andrea Jennings, Sharon Rogers, Martin Sweeney, Michael Warner II

Commissioners Absent: Danielle Friberg (excused), Mark Waterson (excused)

Staff Present: Ali Everett, Tamer Sabha

1. Call to order

Chair Farr called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

2. Roll call

Staff (Sabha) called the roll and a quorum was established for the Commission.

3. Public comments for items not on the agenda

Treasure Sheppard provided a live public comment, as a member of the Recreation and Parks Commission's Accessibility and Disability Committee, asking the Commission to contact her with any questions.

Jouslynn Griffin provided a live public comment about students receiving Pasadena Unified School District Special Education services experiencing difficulty in getting their Individualized Education Program (IEP) implemented and asked the Commission how it can help students apply for the MASH program and summer employment opportunities when they are eligible.

Marlene Benites provided a live public comment about her challenges finding inclusive sports programs for her child in Pasadena. Staff (Everett) provided information about Inclusion Services offered to youth with disabilities participating in recreation programs and invited Ms. Benites to reach out to staff directly for more information.

4. Approval of minutes

After review, it was moved (Warner II) and seconded (Rogers) to approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2022 meeting. (Motion carried)

In Favor: Jennings, Estabrook, Jagusch, Rogers, Warner II, Sweeney
Abstain: Farr

5. New business

- None

6. Old business

- Commission work plan updates and discussion

Public Comment:

Treasure Sheppard provided a live public comment asking for more information about accessibility for the Lower Arroyo Streamside Walk project so she can raise it at the next Recreation Parks Commission meeting on Tuesday, March 1.

After discussion, it was moved (Sweeney) and seconded (Jennings) to inform the Recreation and Parks Commission that the Accessibility and Disability Commission is working on a recommendation to include an accessible trail in the design of the Lower Arroyo Streamside Walk project. (Motion unanimously carried)

In Favor: Farr, Jennings, Estabrook, Rogers, Warner II, Sweeney

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

In Favor: Farr, Jennings, Estabrook, Rogers, Warner II, Sweeney

7. Reports/comments from the Chair

Chair Farr announced the Mayor's State of the City address on Thursday, February 24 at 7:00 PM at Pasadena City College.

8. Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Rogers thanked Commissioner Sweeney for forwarding the iBookClub logo to Library staff to be used on a flyer they will be distributing.

9. Staff comments

Staff (Everett) provided the following comments:

- The Los Angeles Abilities Expo is taking place at the Los Angeles Convention Center from March 4-6;
- The National Council on Disability released a new Health Equity Framework for People with Disabilities and there will be a national stakeholder webinar about the framework on Wednesday, February 23;
- Encouraged the Commission to review the FY 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program, once available, and to raise any accessibility related questions or concerns at a future Commission meeting; and
- There is no update regarding the resumption of in-person Commission meetings.

10. Upcoming meeting agenda items

None

11. Adjournment

It was moved (Sweeney) and seconded (Estabrook) to adjourn the regular meeting. (Motion unanimously carried) The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM

/s/ James Farr

James Farr, Chair
Accessibility & Disability Commission

/s/ Tamer Sabha

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