

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

August 12, 2015
6:30 P.M.

FINAL

Call To Order & Roll Call

The meeting of the Disability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:37 P.M. in the Culver City Senior Center Conference Room.

Members Present: DR. JAY SHERY, Chair
DR. JANET CAMERON HOULT, Member*
DR. ROBERT MONTGOMERY, Member
SUSAN OSBORNE, Member
MARCY SOOKNE, Member
ROBYN TENENSAP, Member

Absent: ALEXANDER LEE, Vice Chair
BARBARA EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, Member (excused)
N. JOHN HASEGAWA, Member (excused)

*Member Hoult left the meeting at 7:38 P.M.

Staff Present: Darren Uhl, Disability Services Specialist
Cindy Zizner

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**Community Announcements By DAC Members/Information Items
From Staff**

Member Hoult reported that the Cultural Affairs Commission was considering whether to create a Poet Laureate position for the City.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Shery invited public comment.

No cards were received and no speakers came forward.

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Receipt of Correspondence

Darren Uhl, Disability Services Specialist, reported that no correspondence had been received.

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Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Meeting Minutes

THE DAC PASSED A MOTION APPROVING THE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 10, 2015 (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Selection of DAC Chair and Vice Chair for 2015-2016

THE DAC APPOINTED DR. JAY SHERY AS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

THE DAC APPOINTED DR. ROBERT MONTGOMERY AS THE COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRPERSON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

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Item A-2

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposals

Darren Uhl, Disability Services Specialist, reported that a presentation from the Public Works department on a sidewalk repair plan had not been possible for the meeting.

The DAC requested a presentation from the Public Works Department to gain insight into the City's plan to address accessibility issues such as sidewalk repairs.

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Item A-3

Disability Film Series

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the turnout for the event; the importance of the timeline and trying not to rush events; concern with insufficient time for marketing; popular appeal of the movie; appealing to a different age group; a suggestion to hold a panel discussion next time; confusion that the short film that was advertised was not the film shown; the dance instructor's comments; working to appeal to a wider audience; the need for a tie-in with an organization; establishing guidelines for holding events; a suggestion to disband the ad hoc committee and create a new one when the next event is planned with guidelines established; and improvements at the Senior Center.

Member Hoult wanted to ensure that when the new ad hoc Disability Film Series subcommittee is created, that clear guidelines are established at the same time.

THE DAC PASSED A MOTION TO DISSOLVE THE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE FORMED TO PLAN AND COORDINATE THE RECENT DISABILITY FILM SERIES EVENT (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

Chair Shery received clarification that the Looping System was not in place yet.

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Item A-4

Discussion and Motion Regarding Nominations for Disability Awareness Month

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the merits of the candidates; criteria; and saving the names of those that were not chosen this year for consideration next year.

THE DAC NOMINATED MARILYN TECHOW TO RECEIVE AN INDIVIDUAL COMMENDATION TO BE PRESENTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL IN OCTOBER HONORING HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

Member Hoult discussed the work of the Exchange Club and that she had suggested their nomination.

THE DAC NOMINATED THE CULVER CITY EXCHANGE CLUB TO RECEIVE AN ORGANIZATIONAL COMMENDATION TO BE PRESENTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL IN OCTOBER FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

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Item A-5

Disability Awareness Month

Darren Uhl, Disability Services Specialist, reported on his communication with the basketball team from Cal State Long Beach; discussed the proposed dates; and indicated that all Committee Members were invited to attend the event.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the fencing presentation at the Teen Center; having a tie-in with the event; inviting Olympians to attend; participating booths; having a presence from the Fire and Police Departments; resource tables; trying to find new groups each year; scheduling of the commendations with the City Council; coordination with the proclamation for Disability Awareness month; the 25th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act; the give away bags for the 25th Anniversary; performers for the Carnival; the picnic; karaoke; October 18 as the date for the Festival; retaining assignments from last year; the Check In area; relocating the candy area; managing the flow of traffic; volunteers to run the games; the petting zoo; fliers to organizations; coordination of shopping for supplies and storage; balloons; funding; game prizes; the photo booth; the clown

at the Farmers Market; and asking Sorrento's to provide food.

THE DAC SCHEDULED A SPECIAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH PLANNING MEETING OF THE DAC TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9 AT 6:30 PM AT THE CULVER CITY SENIOR CENTER (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda (Continued)

None.

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Items from Disability Advisory Committee Members

Member Hoult discussed her previous service on the Landlord Tenant Mediation Board; working to increase Section 8 housing; and she suggested the Disability Advisory Committee try to assist Darren Uhl in helping disabled people to avoid becoming homeless.

Responding to Member Sookne, Member Hoult offered to help with the display at the School Library.

Member Hoult exited the meeting.

Chair Shery asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Andy Alexander, one of the Founders of the Culver City Youth Health Center and wife of former Culver City Mayor Richard Alexander.

THE DAC PASSED A MOTION THAT WHEN THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED, THAT IT BE ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF ANDY ALEXANDER (ABSENT MEMBERS EFFROS-SCHWARTZ, HASEGAWA AND VICE CHAIR LEE).

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the Special Olympics and involvement of the City.

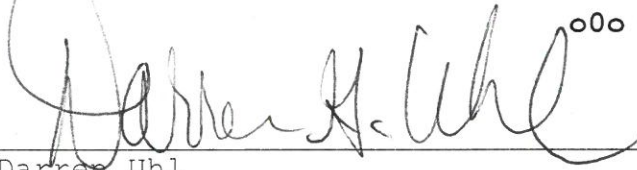
Member Sookne received clarification that she could teach Disability Awareness at the High School representing the Disability Advisory Committee; she discussed the program; and Scouts with Disabilities.

Discussion ensued between Committee Members regarding volunteer training for the Festival; the minimum age for volunteers; the number of volunteers needed; community service requirements at the High School; Girl Scout volunteers; and potential assistance from the City Volunteer Coordinator if needed.

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Adjournment

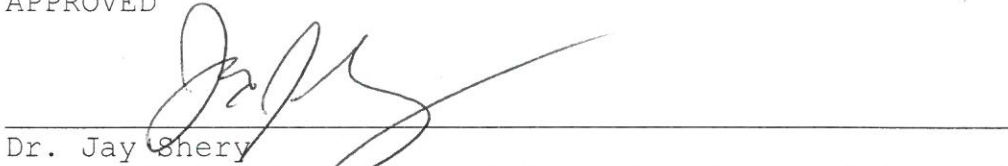
There being no further business, at 7:50 P.M., the Disability Advisory Committee adjourned its meeting in memory of Andy Alexander, wife of former Culver City Mayor Richard Alexander, to a Special Disability Awareness Festival Planning meeting on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 6:30 P.M. in the Senior Center Conference Room.

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Darren Uhl

SECRETARY of the Culver City Disability Advisory Committee
Culver City, California

APPROVED



Dr. Jay Shery

CHAIR of the Disability Advisory Committee, Culver City,
California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.



Martin R. Cole
CITY CLERK

15 SEP 2015

Date