

Culver CITY

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 12, 2024

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR MCMORRIN AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY

FROM: Disability Advisory Committee, Chair Jorge Alvarez, Vice Chair Janice Goldhaber, Members Janet Cameron Hoult, Shellena Leftridge, Robert Lucero, Lisette Palley, Marcy Sookne, Robyn Tenensapf, Ketsha Thompson

SUBJECT: **JANUARY – JUNE 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND JULY – DECEMBER 2024 PROPOSED ACTIVITY/UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS**

CC: John Nachbar, City Manager

On June 12, 2024, the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) approved the transmittal of the following information to City Council:

List of Accomplishments

Presentations at DAC Meetings

- Received presentations from the following local institutions and non-profit partners:
 - Culver City Unified School District Special Education Services
 - Exceptional Children's Foundation
 - The Jeffrey Foundation and Special Child USA
- Received a presentation from the Public Works Department regarding proposed accessibility improvements as part of the Better Overland and Safer Fox Hills Projects. The Committee provided valuable feedback on issues department staff was not previously aware of, such as how some proposals negatively impacted wheelchair ramp and sidewalk accessibility for persons with disabilities.

AARP Age-Friendly Communities Culver City

Received staff report regarding status of Culver City Age-Friendly Action Plan.

Volunteering at Disability Services Events

- Received list of volunteering opportunities from staff and were encouraged to volunteer to learn more about Disability Services programming.
- Volunteering has begun at events, such as the April Dances for the Developmentally Disabled event.

Disability Awareness Month – Events

Began work on the creation of a plan for Disability Awareness Month events and activities.

Scheduled Activities Plan:

- Select individual or group to receive recognition via the “Outstanding Service to Persons with Disabilities” commendation from City Council.
- Work with City staff to finalize plans for Disability Awareness Month, including the Abilities Carnival and Resource Fair.
- Continue to invite local non-profit partners to make presentations at upcoming DAC meetings in order to understand the resources available within the City for people with disabilities.
- Continue to volunteer at a regularly scheduled Disability Services event, such as Dances for the Developmentally Disabled (DDD), Doorstep Deliveries, or Socialites, in addition to the Abilities Carnival & Resource Fair.
- Continue to work with City staff on the AARP Age-Friendly Communities Culver City action plan.
- Develop a proposal for staff training on people-first language, disability etiquette, and ADA accessibility.