

Culver CITY

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 11, 2024

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR O'BRIEN AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY

FROM: Disability Advisory Committee: Chair Janice Goldhaber, Vice Chair Robyn Tenensapf, Member Marie Albertson, Member Jessica Burnett, Member Robin Langman, Member Shellena Leftridge, Member Yu-Ngok Lo, Member Marcy Sookne, and Member Ketsha Thompson.

SUBJECT: 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND 2025 PROPOSED ACTIVITY/UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS

CC: John Nachbar, City Manager

At the December 11, 2024, regular meeting of the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC), the DAC discussed and approved a staff report of activity and authorized staff to transmit the final report to City Council for approval. The list below summarizes the CBC's accomplishments during the period of July through December 2024 and provides a list of anticipated activities/upcoming agenda items for the first half of the 2025 calendar year. The DAC regularly meets on the second Wednesday bi-monthly and met four times from August 14 to December 11, 2024.

List of Accomplishments

- Reviewed submitted nominations for an individual or organization in Culver City to receive recognition via an "Outstanding Service to Persons with Disabilities" commendation from City Council and selected one individual and one organization for the honor: Donna Iarocci, and No Limits for Deaf Children and Families.
- As part of Disability Awareness Month, educated Culver City-area Girl Scouts regarding proper etiquette when engaging with persons with disabilities prior to their volunteering in the Abilities Carnival and Resource Fair on October 6.

- Assisted staff with planning the following Disability Awareness Month Events:
 - A very successful Abilities Carnival and Resources Fair on October 6 that drew over 300 attendees.
 - Display case at Culver City Julian Dixon Library throughout the month of October featuring relevant literature, resources, facts, and information in honor of Disability Awareness Month.
- Provided important, disability-focused feedback to OLIN, the Parks Plan consultant, on the Culver City Parks Plan draft.
- Received presentations from the following non-profit partners:
 - Cedars-Sinai
 - Bridges to Inclusion

Scheduled Activities Plan:

- Continue to review and make recommendations to staff on the AARP Age-Friendly Communities Culver City Action Plan.
- Continue to invite local non-profit partners to make presentations at upcoming DAC meetings to understand the resources available within the City for people with disabilities.
- Develop a proposal for staff training on people-first language, disability etiquette, and ADA accessibility.
- Work with city staff to plan 2025 Disability Awareness Month, including, but not limited to: the Abilities Carnival and Resource Fair; the Commendations voting and nominations process and timeline; the Culver City Julian Dixon library display case; and other associated events.