

**These Meeting Minutes are not official until approved by
the Disability Advisory Committee**

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

April 14, 2021
6:30 P.M.

Call To Order & Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Culver City Disability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:40 P.M. via Webex.

Members Present: Dr. Jay Shery, Chair
Robyn Tenensap, Vice Chair
Jorge Alvarez, Member
Dr. Janet Cameron Hault, Member
Janice Goldhaber, Member
Lisette Palley, Member
Jorge Sandoval, Member
Marcy Sookne, Member

Absent: Carmen Ibarra, Member

Staff Present: Armando Abrego, Parks Recreation and
Community Services Director
Jill Thomsen, Recreation and Community
Services Supervisor
Daniella Gutierrez, Recreation and Community
Services Coordinator
Laurence Ma, Administrative Clerk
Valerie Perez, IT Analyst

o0o

Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Shery invited public comment.

The following member of the public addressed the Committee:

April 14, 2021

Kira Grimes, Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee (EHRAC), provided background on herself and on the Committee; announced upcoming presentations and events hosted by the EHRAC; and she agreed to provide that information to Committee Members in the chat.

Member Palley thanked Ms. Grimes for the update.

o0o

Consent Calendar Items

Item C-1

DAC - Approval of the Minutes for the Disability Advisory Committee Meeting of February 10, 2021

MOVED BY MEMBER GOLDBABER, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR TENENSAP AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2021 (ABSENT MEMBER IBARRA).

o0o

Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

o0o

Action Items

Item A-1

DAC - Receive and File Calendar Update on "Culver City Community Connect" Emergency Online Registration System

Jill Thomsen, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor, reported that the system had gone live since the Committee had received the presentation from Captain Dobbs; she demonstrated how to create an account and fill out the information form; and she noted that the system was only effective if people use it.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding assistance for those having trouble creating an account and filling out the information forms; Culver City

April 14, 2021

Fire Department (CCFD) access to information regarding senior residences; the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT); ensuring that people do not get lost in the process; outreach; providing contact information for people who need help; staff agreement to furnish postcards and fliers to Committee Members for distribution to community members of all ages; distribution of postcards at the library; and appreciation to staff for their efforts.

MOVED BY MEMBER PALLEY, SECONDED BY MEMBER ALVAREZ AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT ON THE CULVER CITY COMMUNITY CONNECT EMERGENCY ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM (ABSENT MEMBER IBARRA).

o0o

Item A-2

DAC - Recommendations to the Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding the inability of Members to attend the previous EHRAC meeting; restrictive protocol for information exchange; creating a standing item on the DAC agenda; and coordination between Subcommittee Members regarding EHRAC meetings.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR TENENSAP, SECONDED BY MEMBER SOOKNE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE CREATE A STANDING ITEM REPORT REGARDING THE EQUITY AND HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ABSENT MEMBER IBARRA).

o0o

Item A-3

DAC - [Standing Item; Any or All of the Following Actions, If Desired] (1) Receipt and Filing of Updates from the Members of the Disability Advisory Committee Ad Hoc Subcommittees; (2) Formation of New and/or Dissolution of Existing Ad Hoc Subcommittee(s)

Member Hoult discussed the Ad Hoc Subcommittee Focused on the Arts for and by the Disabled; reported working with the Culver Arts Foundation Advisory Board; she discussed

including information in the grant application to encourage creative members of the disabled community to get involved; and incorporating the disabled when moving ahead with the arts and resiliency.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding inclusion; outreach; the role of the Subcommittee; Committee approval before taking action as a Subcommittee; time; process; clarification that when Subcommittee Members attend meetings, they are attending as individual members of the public; and agreement to bring recommendations from the Ad Hoc Subcommittee Focused on the Arts for the and by the Disabled back to the full Committee at the next meeting.

MOVED BY VICE CHAIR TENENSAP, SECONDED BY MEMBER PALLEY AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THAT THE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE FOCUSED ON THE ARTS FOR AND BY THE DISABLED BRING A REPORT TO THE JUNE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (ABSENT MEMBER IBARRA).

Vice Chair Tenensap reported that there had not been a meeting on Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) so she did not have a report.

o0o

Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Chair Shery invited public comment.

Laurence Ma, Administrative Clerk, indicated that no public comment had been received.

o0o

Receipt of Correspondence

Laurence Ma, Administrative Clerk, indicated receipt of an email to all DAC members in March.

Jill Thomsen, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor, reported responding to the informational email regarding low vision which ultimately led to a pay business.

o0o

Items from Disability Advisory Committee Members/Staff

Member Hoult discussed an upcoming Community Arts Night in conjunction with the Wende Museum on April 28 and she felt that getting involved with community activities was a good thing for the Committee.

Member Palley indicated that she was teaching mindfulness mediation on Fridays, as well as private lessons, and she encouraged anyone interested to participate and invite their friends.

Member Sandoval reported that his mother had been able to get a guide dog; he asked if the meetings could be livestreamed so the community could participate; and he noted the captioning feature provided by Zoom.

Laurence Ma, Administrative Clerk, discussed procedures for livestreaming meetings and noted that captioning was currently enabled.

Member Goldhaber indicated that the use of backgrounds made it hard for her to see and Members disabled their backgrounds.

Member Alvarez discussed the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); issues with access on Venice Boulevard; and he asked that the Committee agendaize a report from the Police Department.

Armando Abrego, Parks Recreation and Community Services Director, discussed partnership with the DAC to ensure ADA compliance throughout the City; inclusivity for the entire community; encroachment of people living on the streets into the public right of way; implementation of the 2018 Plan to Combat and Prevent Homelessness; weekly cleanups performed throughout the City; education regarding the benefits of maintaining safe and accessible walkways; efforts to find a balanced approach to issues; long and short term strategies to address issues; he requested patience and understanding while work is done to improve the situation; and he agreed to reach out to Member Sandoval again to discuss the matter further

Additional discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding appreciation for efforts to address issues;

an article regarding a City that provides gift cards to homeless individuals who clean up after themselves; jurisdiction; work to improve the situation; linking homeless individuals to services; the partnership with Saint Joseph Center; and the City's Homeless Coordinator.

Vice Chair Tenensap discussed positive feedback regarding the Slow Streets program.

Discussion ensued between staff and Committee Members regarding street selection for Slow Streets; feedback about the program; efforts to create a safe environment; bike lanes; street closures; the outdoor dining program; support for creation of a walking city; and lighting issues.

Member Hoult read a poem about Arbor Day.

o0o

Adjournment

There being no further business, at 8:15 P.M., the Disability Advisory Committee adjourned to a regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. via Webex.

o0o

Laurence Ma
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.

Jeremy Green
CITY CLERK

Date